

# Curriculum Vitae of Sarah G. Thomason

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## Education:

Stanford University: B.A. in German, with Distinction, 1961.

University of Freiburg, Germany: student in Germanistik, 1961-62.

Yale University: M.A. in Linguistics, 1965; Ph.D. in Linguistics, 1968.

Indiana University: student at the Linguistic Institute of the LSA, summer, 1964.

University of Novi Sad, Yugoslavia: dissertation research and fieldwork, under the direction of Pavle Ivić, on noun suffixation in SerboCroatian dialects, 1965-66.

## Teaching positions:

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| University of Pittsburgh | Instructor in Linguistics, 1967-68.  |
| Yale University          | Lecturer in Russian and Slavic Linguistics, 1968-72.   |
| University of Illinois   | Visiting Lecturer at the Linguistic Institute of the Linguistic Society of America and the C.I.C. Slavic Institute, summer 1969.   |
| University of Pittsburgh | Visiting Assistant Professor of Linguistics, 1972-73.<br>Assistant Professor of Linguistics, 1973-78.<br>Associate Professor of Linguistics, with tenure, 1978-86.<br>Professor of Linguistics, 1986-1998.   |
| Ohio State University    | Visiting Lecturer at the Linguistic Institute of the Linguistic Society of America, summer 1993.   |
| University of Joensuu    | Lecturer at the First Scandinavian Summer School on Language Diversity, June 1994.   |
| University of Amsterdam  | Lecturer at the Dutch Graduate School of Linguistics, June 1995.   |
| University of Michigan   | Professor of Linguistics, 1999-.<br>William J. Gedney Collegiate Professor of Linguistics, 2001-2015.<br>Acting Chair, Linguistics Department, 2007-2008.<br>Chair, Linguistics Department, 2010-2013.<br>Instructor at the Linguistic Institute of the Linguistic Society of America, summer 2013.<br>Bernard Bloch Distinguished University Professor of Linguistics, 2015-. |

University of Illinois	Hermann and Klara H. Collitz Professor at the Linguistic Institute of the Linguistic Society of America, summer 1999.
University of Melbourne	Lecturer at the Australian Linguistic Institute, July 2000.
University of Tilburg	Lecturer at the Dutch Graduate School of Linguistics, June 2003.
University of Szeged	Lecturer on Language Contact, May 2007.
University of California, Berkeley	Visiting Lecturer at the Linguistic Institute of the Linguistic Society of America, summer 2009.

### **Honors:**

Chair of the Linguistics and Language Sciences section of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) (elected), 1996.

Hermann and Klara H. Collitz Professor at the Linguistic Institute of the Linguistic Society of America, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, June-July 1999.

President of the Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA) (elected), 2000.

Collegiate Professorship (named for William J. Gedney), University of Michigan, 2001-2015.

James & Margaret Gavan Lecturer, University of Missouri-Columbia Anthropology Department, October 2002.

Linguistic Society of America Executive Committee (elected), 2001-2003.

Senior Fellow of the Michigan Society of Fellows, 2005-2009.

Fellow of the Linguistic Society of America, 2006-.

President of the Linguistic Society of America (elected), 2009.

Senior Fellow at the Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS), Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg, Germany, March 2009.

Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (elected), 2010-.

Recipient of the Wilbur Lucius Cross Medal, awarded by the Yale Graduate School Alumni Association in October 2012.

Recipient of the Society of Pidgin and Creole Linguistics Lifetime Achievement Award, January 2013.

Distinguished University Professorship (named for Bernard Bloch), University of Michigan, 2015-.

### **Awards:**

Woodrow Wilson Fellowship held at Yale University, 1962-63.

McCormick Fellowship held at Yale University, 1963-65.

American Council of Learned Societies Summer Linguistics Fellowship held at Indiana University, 1964.

NDEA Title VI Fellowship (for research on Serbo-Croatian) held at Yale University, summer, 1965; in Yugoslavia, 1965-66; and at Yale, 1966-67.

(American Council of Learned Societies Linguistics Fellowship offered for 1965-66.)

(Fulbright-Hays Joint Government Fellowship for Yugoslavia offered for 1965-66.)

Faculty Research Grant from the Faculty of Arts & Sciences, University of Pittsburgh, summer, 1974; research carried out at the Linguistic Institute of the LSA, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. (Topic: analogic change.)

Travel grant from the Russian and East European Studies Committee of the University of Pittsburgh, to attend the International Conference on Historical Morphology, Boszkowo, Poland, 1978.

Faculty Research Grant from the Faculty of Arts & Sciences, University of Pittsburgh, summer, 1979. (Topic: typology of Northwest American Indian languages.)

Research support from the Salish Culture Committee of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, St. Ignatius, Montana, for language work (payments to Montana Salish elders for language consulting), 1981-1996.

Research grant from the University of Pittsburgh Provost's Office, to pay Montana Salish elders' fees for language consulting, summer, 1997 (\$4,000).

Central Research Development Fund grant, from the University of Pittsburgh's University Research Council, to pay Montana Salish elders' fees for language consulting, 1998-1999 (\$8,000).

National Science Foundation grant, 'Completing a Montana Salish Dictionary and Text Collection', 1999-2001 (#BCS-9809781, \$99,398); one-year no-cost grant extension to 2002; two supplementary awards for undergraduate research: \$3,030 (for Ramona McDowell's research on Montana Salish, May 2001) and \$3,742 (for Amy Burke & Jessica Rett's conference travel, April 2002).

Small Grant for the Ninth Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, University of Michigan, March 2002 (\$1,000).

Small Grant for the North American Undergraduate Linguistics Conference, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, University of Michigan, October 2003 (\$1,000).

Small Grant for the Tenth Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, University of Michigan, March 2004 (\$700).

Grant from the University of Michigan's Center for Research on Learning and Teaching, for the development of a new Linguistics subconcentration (co-recipient with Robin Queen) and a new course, Language in a Multicultural World (\$6,997).

Grant for the Eleventh Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction, OVPR, University of Michigan, March 2006 (\$1000).

Grants for the Twelfth Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction from the University of Michigan's International Institute (\$500) and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts (\$1000), April 2008.

Grants for the Thirteenth Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction from the University of Michigan's Linguistics Department (\$500), International Institute (\$500), and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts (\$500), April 2010.

Grants for the Fourteenth Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction from the University of Michigan's Linguistics Department, the International Institute, and the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, March 2010.

**Fields of specialization:**

Historical linguistics; languages in contact; pidgins and creoles; Native American linguistics (especially Salishan); language endangerment.

## Languages:

### Some practical competence and/or extensive linguistic study:

German, Serbo-Croatian, Russian, French;  
Old Church Slavic, Old Russian, Sanskrit, Ancient Greek, Latin;  
Montana Salish (Flathead), Chinook Jargon, Ma'a (Mbugu), Mednyj Aleut, Pidgin  
Delaware.

### Some formal study:

Lithuanian, Slovenian, Swedish, Hindi, Urdu;  
Gothic, Old Irish;  
Arabic, Mongolian, Finnish.

### Analysis of data elicited directly from native speakers:

Serbo-Croatian (fieldwork, four nonstandard dialects), Montana Salish (fieldwork);  
Wu Chinese, Karo Batak, Zulu, Malayalam.

## Teaching experience (\* marks courses taught at least four times):

- \* Introduction to language (lower-level introduction)
- \* Introduction to linguistics (upper-level introduction)
  - Introduction to linguistics for Slavists
  - A world of words
  - Language in a multicultural world
  - Exploring diversity in language (freshman seminar)
  - Endangered languages (freshman seminar; senior capstone seminar)
  - Language and the law
  - Paths of inquiry (team-taught interdisciplinary undergraduate honors course)
- \* Introduction to graduate study in linguistics
- \* Teacher training for linguistics Graduate Student Instructors
  - Seminar in research writing (for second-year graduate students)
- \* Languages of the world
  - Types of linguistic structures
- \* Phonetics
- \* Phonology
- \* Topics in advanced phonology
- \* Morphology
  - Field methods
- \* Montana Salish linguistics
- \* Introduction to historical linguistics (graduate)
  - Language and history (undergraduate)
  - Methods in historical linguistics (advanced)
- \* Current issues in historical linguistic theory
- \* Language contact
- \* Pidgin and creole languages
  - Comparative Indo-European
  - Sanskrit
- \* Old Church Slavic
- \* History of the Russian language
  - Beginning Russian
  - Intermediate Russian
  - Beginning Serbo-Croatian

### **University service, University of Pittsburgh:**

University committees: University Senate Council and Faculty Assembly (elected member), 1987-90; Vice-Chair, Provost Search Committee (elected), 1982-83; Fact-Finding Committee for the Performance Review of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences (FAS) Dean, 1982; Chair, Fact-Finding Committee for the Performance Review of the Dean of the University Honors College, 1997; FAS Council (elected), 1980-83 (Vice-Chair, 1981-82), 1997-98; FAS Tenure Council, 1978-82, 1985-98 (elected to Selection Committee 1980, 1993, 1996-97; elected to Secretary 1981, 1985, 1991, 1992); FAS Faculty Research Grants Committee (elected), 1975-78, 1984 (Secretary, 1976-77; Chair, 1977-78); University Research Council, 1995-97 (Chair, small grants program subcommittee for humanities & social sciences, 1997); various committees on teaching evaluation and teaching awards; various College of Arts & Sciences committees; various Honors College committees.

Service in area studies programs: Associate, Russian & East European Studies Committee, 1973-1998; Associate, Center for Latin American Studies, 1986-1998; Advisory Board, Jewish Studies Program, 1990-97.

Service to other departments: member, dissertation committees in Anthropology (language contact and change in the Spice Islands), Classics (Latin philology), Philosophy (philosophy of language, five committees), Slavic (Russian case), Theatre Arts (teaching stage dialects), and the School of Education (sociolinguistics & school work; American Sign Language); member, M.A. thesis committee in Religious Studies (channeling); reader, graduate examinations in Anthropology (linguistics), Classics (Indo-European linguistics), and French & Italian (French linguistics); member, faculty search committees in History & Philosophy of Science (1980) and Slavic (1988); member, French & Italian department full-professor promotion committee (1998).

### **Departmental service, University of Pittsburgh:**

Graduate Advisor, 1974-88, 1989-98; Undergraduate Major Advisor, 1975-88; Graduate Admissions Officer, 1974-75, 1979.

Advisor, NEH Younger Scholars Program grant awarded to Bonnie S. McElhinny, 1986.

Advisor, three Undergraduate Teaching Fellows (1977, 1990); mentor, Provost Development Fund Fellow, 1991.

Chair, 6 doctoral committees: Martha M. Baudet (Martinican Creole structure and history, NSF dissertation fellowship); Filomena Sandalo (Kadiwéu grammar, Ph.D. 1995); Verónica Grondona (Mocoví grammar, Ph.D. 1998); Anna Fenyvesi (Hungarian inflectional morphology, Ph.D. 1998); Rika Hayami-Allen (A description of the Ternate language, Northern Moluccas, Indonesia, co-chair with Terrence Kaufman; Ph.D. 2001); Alan Vogel (Jarawara verb classes; co-chair with Alan Juffs; Ph.D. 2003).

Advisor, M.A. papers: 29 completed.

Member, doctoral committees: 12 completed.

### **University service, University of Michigan:**

LS&A College committees: Native American Studies search committee, 1999-2001; English Language Institute Director search committee, 2000-2001; Humanities Divisional Evaluation Committee for tenured appointments, 2001-2002, 2009-2010; College Executive Committee (elected), 2002-2005; LS&A Grievance Review Board panel, 2006-2007; English Language Institute Review Committee, 2008.

Other: Classics Department tenure panel, 2008; Rackham Postdoctoral Fellowship Committee, 2008; evaluator of RIRA fellowship applications, 2011; Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Committee, 2014-.

## Departmental service, University of Michigan:

Acting Chair of the department, 2007-2008.

Chair of the department, 2010-2013.

Executive Committee (elected), Fall 1999, 2000-2001, 2002-2004, 2006-2008.

Chair, Undergraduate Committee, Fall 1999, 2001-2008; chair, committee to select the best undergraduate honors thesis in Linguistics for the Matt Alexander award, 2001-2008; member, Undergraduate Committee, 2009-2010; member, Admissions Committee, 2009-2010.

Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2010-2011, 2011-2012.

Promotion committees, 2001, 2002, 2005 (chair), 2008 (2 committees); third-year review committees, 1999 (chair), 2001, 2002 (chair), 2005, 2009.

Chair, sociolinguistics search committee, 2006-2007.

Member, three faculty search committees: syntax/semantics, 2001-2002; pidgin/creole linguistics, 2002-2003; experimental/computational theoretical linguistics, 2011-2012.

Organizer, biweekly HistLing meetings, 1999-.

Chair, 6 doctoral committees: Nicholas J. Pharris (*Winuunsi Tm Talapaas: A grammar of the Molalla Language*, Ph.D. 2006 and winner of the 2006 Mary Haas Award of the Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas); Mark Sicoli (*Tono: a linguistic ethnography of tone and voice from a Zapotec region*, Ph.D. 2006, co-chair with Bruce Mannheim); Nancy Koch Perez (*Reconstruction of Proto-Matlatzinkan*, Ph.D. 2007); Katherine Chen (*Bilinguals in style: linguistic practices and ideologies of Cantonese-English code-mixers in Hong Kong*, Ph.D. 2007, co-chair with Judith Irvine); Anna Babel (*Contact and contrast in Valley Spanish*, Ph.D. 2010, co-chair with Bruce Mannheim); Stephen Tyndall.

Member, 12 doctoral committees: Rizwan Ahmad (Linguistics, Ph.D. 2007), Lisa Del Torto (Linguistics, Ph.D. 2008), Vera Irwin (Linguistics and German, Ph.D. 2009), Christopher Palmer (English, Ph.D. 2009), Brook Hefright (Linguistics, Ph.D. 2011), Kirstin Swagman (Anthropology, Ph.D. 2011), Katherine Graber (Anthropology, Ph.D. 2011), Terrence Szymanski (Linguistics, Ph.D. 2012), Emily Hein (Anthropology, Ph.D. 2013), Nicholas Q. Emlen (Anthropology, Ph.D. 2014), Tridha Chatterjee (Linguistics, Ph.D. 2015), Candice Scott (Linguistics).

Other research advising: Advisor: Dan Richards' QRP on change in complex numerals in English ('four and twenty' to 'twenty-four') (2001-2002); Mark Sicoli's QRP 'Voices of Coyachilla: murmur, breathiness, and falsetto among Zapotec communities of Oaxaca' (completed 2003); Nicholas Pharris's QRP 'Molalla grammatical sketch' (completed 2003); Anna Babel's QRP 'Evidentials and social meaning in Valley Spanish' (completed 2006); Stephen Tyndall's QRP 'Towards automatically assembling Hittite-language cuneiform tablet fragments into larger texts' (co-advisor; completed 2012); Cameron Rule's QRP 'Upriver Halkomelem and Montana Salish neologisms and loanwords: a descriptive study of lexical enrichment' (completed 2013). Second reader: Katherine Chen's QRP 'The social distinctiveness of two code-mixing patterns in Hong Kong' (completed 2003), Nancy Koch's QRP 'The use of Matlatzinka and Spanish in San Francisco Oxtotilpan, Mexico' (completed 2003), Terrence Szymanski's QRP (completed 2008).

Advisor, undergraduate honors theses (etc.): Joy Rowe, ‘The place of Dahalo within Cushitic’, 2000 (winner of a Virginia Voss Award for excellence in writing by senior women, and co-winner of the departmental prize for the best honors thesis of the year); Louann Fang, ‘Multilingual discourse in a Japanese restaurant’, 2007; Alexa Feldman, ‘Taboo language’, 2007; Caitlin Light, ‘German dialects in diaspora’, 2007 (co-chair with Marc Pierce); Emma Schroder, ‘The status of loanwords in Wolof’, 2008; Rosalie Edmonds, ‘ “They’ll be doing away with those buffalo”: Language, culture, and history in a Salish-Pend d’Oreille narrative’, 2009 (winner of a Virginia Voss Award for excellence in writing by senior women); Nico Baier, “Irrealis morphology in Montana Salish”, 2010; Marcus Berger, “A translation and analysis of portions of Father Gregory Mengarini’s *Grammatica linguae selicae*”, 2010; Jasmine Hentschel, “Idhar-Udhar Se: The use of English in modern Hindi cinema”, 2011. Supplementary NSF award for Ramona McDowell’s undergraduate research project on Montana Salish (\$3,030), 2001; supplementary NSF award for Jessica Rett & Amy Burke’s undergraduate research project (\$3,742), 2001.

Dissertation and thesis committees at other universities: University of Helsinki (Anneli Sarhima’s Ph.D. dissertation evaluator and Opponent, 1999); Tilburg University (one of Seza Doğruöz’s Ph.D. dissertation Opponents, 2007); University of Victoria (member of David Robertson’s dissertation committee, Ph.D. 2011); Stockholm University (Memet Aktürk-Drake’s Ph.D. dissertation Opponent, 2015); McGill University (M.A. thesis evaluator); University of British Columbia (Ramona McDowell’s M.A. thesis committee, 2004).

### **Miscellaneous professional activities:**

Membership in professional societies: Linguistic Society of America (LSA; life member; Fellow), Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA), Society of Pidgin and Creole Linguistics (SPCL), American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS; Fellow).

Consultant to the Salish-Pend d’Oreille Culture Committee of the Salish-Kootenai Confederated Tribes, St. Ignatius, MT, to prepare materials for the Salish-Pend d’Oreille Language Program, 1981 to date.

Editor of *Language*, the journal of the Linguistic Society of America, 1988-94.

Associate Editor of *Language*, 1983-85.

Editor-in-Chief, Oxford Online Research Reviews in linguistics, 2012-.

Associate Editor, *Journal of Historical Linguistics*, 2010-.

Editorial Board, *Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages*, 1989-2011.

Editorial Board, *Diachronica*, 1996-2007.

Editorial Board, *Bilingualism: Language and Cognition*, 1996-2010.

Scientific Committee, *Cadernos de Sociolingüística*, 1998-2006.

Editorial Board, *Sociolinguistic Studies*, 2006-2009.

Editorial Board, *Language and Linguistics Compass*, Comparative and Historical Linguistics and Philology section (a new on-line journal), 2007-.

Advisory Board, *Journal of Language Contact*, 2010-.

Editorial Board, *Oxford Linguistics Online*, 2008.

Editorial Board, *Revista Brasileira de Linguística Antropológica* (ed. by Aryon Rodrigues and Ana A.C. Cabral), 2009-.

Advisory Editorial Board, monograph series “Language, History, and Prehistory” (Curzon Press; Lyle Campbell, Editor), 1999 to date.

Editorial Board, monograph series “Curzon African Linguistics Series” (Rainer Vossen, Editor-in-Chief), 2000 to date.

Editorial Board, monograph series on North European and Baltic Languages and Linguistics (Peter Lang Verlag; Anneli Sarhima, Chief Editor), 2004-2008.

Chair-Elect; Chair; and Retiring Chair of the Linguistics and Language Sciences section of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), 1995; 1996; 1997.

Elected Member-at-Large of the Linguistics and Language Sciences Section Committee of the AAAS, 1994-1998.

Elected member of the Electorate Nominating Committee of the Linguistics and Language Sciences Section Committee of the AAAS, 2007-2010.

Secretary of the Linguistics and Language Sciences section of the AAAS, 2001-2005.

Vice President/President Elect, Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA), 1999; President, 2000; Executive Committee member, 2001.

Member, SSILA's Mary R. Haas Book Award Committee, 1997-1998, 2001-2002, 2007-2008; chair, 1997, 2001.

Associate Member, Centre de recherche sur le contact linguistique/Centre for Research on Language Contact, York University (Toronto), appointed 2006.

Scientific consultant to the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal (CSICOP), 1987 - ?.

Member, Advisory Board of the Netherlands Graduate School of Linguistics (LOT, or Landelijke Onderzoekschool Taalwetenschap), an association of research institutes at the Universities of Amsterdam, Leiden, Nijmegen, Tilburg, and Utrecht, 1995 to date.

Member, Scientific Advisory Board (Fachbeirat) of the Max-Planck-Institut für evolutionäre Anthropologie, Leipzig, 2001-2007.

Member, LSA Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics, 1985-86.

Member, LSA Advisory Board for the "Field of Linguistics" document, 1995.

Member, LSA Committee on Honorary Members, 1996-98; chair, 1998.

Member, LSA Fellows Selection Committee, 2006.

Member, LSA Fellowship Selection Committee for the 2009 Linguistic Institute (University of California, Berkeley).

Member, LSA Nominating Committee, 2010.

Member, LSA Executive Committee (ex officio), 2008-2010.

Chair, LSA Awards Committee, 2010-2011.

LSA delegate to Section H, Anthropology, of the AAAS, 1999-2002.

Chair, Committee of Visitors for the Linguistics Program of the National Science Foundation, 1996.

Member, selection committee of the Bonus Incentive Scheme for Research Schools of the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO), 1997-98.

Member, department/program external review committees: Cleveland State University (Linguistics, 1989); University of Pennsylvania (Linguistics, 1997); Oakland University (Linguistics, 2001); UCLA (Interdepartmental Program in Indo-European Studies, 2008); University of British Columbia (First Nations programs, 2010); University of California, Berkeley (Linguistics, 2010); University of Colorado at Boulder (Linguistics, 2013); University of Kentucky (Linguistics, 2014); University of Illinois (Linguistics, 2014).

Member, Harvard University senior faculty search committee (linguistics), 1994.

Member, National Endowment for the Humanities Linguistics Panel (Research Tools), 1993, 1999.

Member, Council for International Exchange of Scholars Discipline Advisory Committee for Fulbright Scholar awards in Linguistics, 1994-1996; Chair, 1995-96.

Member, Council for International Exchange of Scholars technical review panel for Linguistics, 1996-97.



- Member, International Advisory Board, *Encyclopedia of language and linguistics*, 2nd edn. (Elsevier), 2003-2004.
- Member, Research Assessment Committee of the Utrecht Institute of Linguistics OTS (UiL OTS) (for the board of Utrecht University), 2005.
- Organizer of ESCOL 86, the third annual Eastern States Conference on Linguistics, jointly sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University, 1986.
- Co-organizer (with Terrence Kaufman and, from 2000 to 2007, Verónica Grondona) of sixteen Spring Workshops on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction: University of Pittsburgh, 1986, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000; University of Michigan, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016.
- Co-organizer (with Daniel Everett) of the colloquium ‘Discourse: Linguistic, Computational, and Philosophical Perspectives’, sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh’s Center for the Philosophy of Science, 1995.
- Organizer of the symposium ‘The Pacific Northwest as a Linguistic and Cultural Area’ at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Seattle, February 1997.
- Co-organizer (with William Poser) of the symposium ‘Historical Linguistics Alive or Dead’ at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Denver, February 2003.
- Organizer of the symposium ‘Language Birth’ at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Seattle, February 2004.
- Organizer of the session ‘Deliberate Language Change: When, how, how often?’, at the Sixteenth International Conference on Historical Linguistics, University of Copenhagen, August 2003.
- Organizer of the ‘Marshall M. Weinberg Symposium 2012: Bilingualism’, University of Michigan, March 2012.
- Chair, organizing committee of the Michigan Linguistic Society meeting, October 2003.
- Chair, organizing committee of the University of Michigan’s North American Undergraduate Linguistics Conference, October 2003.
- Expert-witness testimony (on lexical semantics: *cull*) in *Arcon Construction Co., Inc., v. City of Pittsburgh*, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, PA, 1981.
- Preparation of expert-witness testimony (on lexical semantics: *bootleg dealer*) in *Como v. The Wurlitzer Co.*, Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County, PA, 1982.
- Consultant (on word formation and lexical semantics: *rehabilitory*) in *Rehabilitation Institute of Pittsburgh v. Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States*, for Jones, Gregg, Creehan & Gerace, Pittsburgh, PA, 1990.
- Consulting and expert-witness testimony (on naming and lexical-semantic change: *air door*) in *Berner International Corporation v. Mars Sales Company*, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, 1990, 1994, 1995.
- Consultant (on naming: *A-5*) in *Sunbeam v. Kim E. Laube*, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, 1995.
- Deposition and consultation as an expert witness (on intelligibility and discourse in firefighters’ radio transmissions) in *Margaret M. Foster v. Staley Communications, Inc., and Motorola Incorporated*, for Dickie, McCamey, & Chilcote, Circuit Court of Ohio County, West Virginia, 1995-96.
- Volunteer teacher, University of Pittsburgh program at the State Correctional Institution at Pittsburgh, 1993-1997.

Proposal and manuscript reviewing: National Science Foundation, National Endowment for the Humanities, Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council of Canada, American Council of Learned Societies, Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, Australian Research Council, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD), Fonds zur Förderung der wissenschaftlichen Forschung (Austria), Israel Science Foundation, National Research Foundation (South Africa), Nederlandse Organisatie voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek (NWO), Arts and Humanities Research Board (UK), Economic & Social Science Research Council (UK), The Marsden Fund (New Zealand), Riksbanken Jubileumsfond/The Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation, Swiss National Science Foundation, California Academy of Sciences, International Conference on Historical Linguistics, International Congress of Linguists, Balkan Morphosyntax; *Anthropological Linguistics*, *BCALS* (UK), *Diachronica*, *International Journal of American Linguistics*, *International Journal of Bilingualism*, *International Journal of the Sociology of Language*, *Journal of Germanic Linguistics*, *Journal of Anthropological Research*, *Journal of Historical Linguistics*, *Journal of Language Contact*, *Journal of Linguistics*, *Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages*, *Journal of Slavic Linguistics*, *Language*, *Language in Society*, *Language Learning*, *Lingua*, *Linguistics*, *Morphology*, *Papia: Revista Brasileira de Estudos Crioulos e Similares*, *Public Library of Science (PLoS One)*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *Probus*, *Studies in Salish linguistics in honor of M. Dale Kinkade*, *Colonization and Domestic Service: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives*, *The Carl Beck Papers in Russian & East European Studies*, *The Skeptical Inquirer*, *Word*; Blackwell's, Cambridge University Press, Edinburgh University Press, The Free Press, John Benjamins, MIT Press, Oxford University Press, Routledge, University of California Press, University of Chicago Press, University of Nebraska Press, Creole Language Library, Papers of the Algonquian Conference; New York University's Presidential Fellowship competition, University of Ghent (Belgium), Vrije Universiteit (Amsterdam), Chicago Linguistic Society 2014 (abstract reviews), and the Societas Linguistica Europaea 2010 (abstract reviews).

Consultant on appointment, hiring, and/or promotion for: Arizona State University, The Australian Academy of the Humanities, Bentley University, Brigham Young University, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences (Stanford), City University of New York Graduate Center, Cleveland State University, Concordia University (Montreal), Dartmouth College, Duke University, Harvard University, Indiana University, Jordan University of Science and Technology, King Saud University (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia), The MacArthur Fellows Program (John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation), Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Max-Planck-Institut für Psycholinguistik (Nijmegen), Memorial University of Newfoundland, Michigan State University, Northwestern University, Oakland University, Ohio State University (Linguistics Department; English Department; Germanic Languages & Literatures Department), Pomona College, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, Stanford University, University of Arizona (Linguistics Department; Anthropology Department), University of California at Berkeley (Linguistics Department; Slavic Department), University of California at Davis, University of California at San Diego, University of California at Santa Cruz, University of Cambridge, University of Chicago, University of Chicago Press (advice on candidates for the editorship of the *International Journal of American Linguistics*), University at Albany/SUNY, University College Dublin, University of Haifa, University of Hawai'i, University of Iowa, University of Kansas, University of Kentucky, University of Manchester (UK), University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, University of Oklahoma, University of Pittsburgh, University of South Carolina, University of Texas at Austin (Linguistics Department; Germanic Department; Slavic Department), University of Toronto, University of Westminster (London), Wayne State University, Yale University, and York University (Toronto).

Invited contributor to the blog Language Log (languageblog.org): 100 posts so far, e.g. ‘An early language experiment: failure or triumph?’, ‘It has wrinkled feet’, ‘A prison riot over strict transitivity’, ‘Language rights lose in Nebraska’, ‘Unchanging pronouns?’, ‘For the metrically challenged’, ‘A cootchie-cootchie-coo theory of language acquisition’, ‘Non-English speaking, but not by choice’, ‘Linguistic pseudoscience lives in academia!’, ‘Why I will never be a wine connoisseur’, ‘Vocabulary building at the Seven Lazy P’, ‘PrairieDogSpeak’, ‘Trunca in Montana Sa’, ‘Did Winston Churchill Use Singular “They”?’, ‘Sex & Language Stereotypes through the Ages’, ‘A Place for Prescriptivism in Linguists’ Lives’, ‘Who cares what Iraqis think when you’re the one with the gun?’, ‘Nutty journalists’ (and others’) language theories’, ‘Gingrich as Grinch’, ‘Creationist linguistics’, ‘The German language 1, Sally 0’, ‘Ultraconserved words? Really??’, and ‘Xenoglossy and the psychiatrists’.

Media interviews on: “languages” of “reincarnation”, Barry Fell’s ancient inscription claims, channelers’ “entities” speech, Pittsburgh dialect (“Pittsburghese”), teen-age slang, cursing, *hunky*, Pennsylvania’s ‘official English’ legislation, doing fieldwork on Montana Salish (Flathead), endangered languages, Joseph Greenberg’s classification of Native American and other languages, languages in contact, Johanna Nichols’ theories of language spread and diversification, pseudonymous book reviewers, journal editing, why the University of Illinois should get rid of its “Chief Illiniwek” mascot, language choice and language change in multi-generational space travel (“Space English”), a claim about a lost tribe of Israel discovered in India, xenoglossy, teaching in a maximum-security state penitentiary, the University of Michigan’s presidential search, the University of Michigan’s affirmative action admissions policies, a mathematical model proposed to shed light on the origins of Indo-European, a claim that English is about to get its millionth word, lexical & grammatical change, political language, Pagel et al.’s claims of “ultraconserved words”, controversies about the origins of Yiddish, and doodling.

Partial list of places of appearance: NOVA, West Virginia Public Television, NPR’s All Things Considered, NPR’s Todd Mundt Show, BBC Radio’s Science Programme, BBC Asian Network radio, BBC-WM radio (Western Midlands), Michigan Radio (and other NPR stations), Süddeutscher Rundfunk, Magyar Rádío, CNBC, Talk Radio 702 (South Africa), CNN.com (CNN website), WILL-AM (Urbana, IL), the SETI Radio Network’s weekly show *Are We Alone?*, *Science*, *The New York Times*, *The Paris Review*, *The Oregonian*, *Psychology Today*, *Omni*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *USA Today*, *The Boston Globe*, *The Richmond Times-Dispatch*, *Edmonton Journal*, *Toronto Star*, *The Skeptical Inquirer*, *Lingua Franca*, *Scientific American*, *Tiede* (Finland), *Horizon Air*, *Body Mind Spirit*, *Helix*, *Tablet*, *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, *Die Welt*, *Bild der Wissenschaft*, *PM Perspektive: Das Magazin für kompaktes Wissen*, *Folha de São Paulo*, *Karjalainen* (Joensuu, Finland), *The Daily Telegraph*, *Financial Times* (of London), *The Independent* (UK), *Western Daily Press* (New Zealand), *la Repubblica* (Italy), *UPI Science News*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Chicago Sun-Times*, *Dallas Morning News*, *Orange County Register*, *Philadelphia News*, *San Diego Reader*, *The Evansville Courier*, *Champaign/Urbana News Gazette*, Reuters (story appeared in newspapers in Rochester, Seattle, Toronto, and elsewhere), Scripps Howard News Service (story appeared in e.g. the *Augusta Chronicle*), Newswatch-UK (on line), *Nature*’s on-line Science Update, *Spiegel Online*, Space.com, www.spacedaily.com, theage.com.au, *wissenschaft-online*, *www.membrana.ru* (Russia), Ringier Online (Czech Republic), *Char-Koosta News* (Montana), *The Ann Arbor News*, *Pittsburgh Magazine*, Michigan Radio, and various Pittsburgh television and radio programs and newspapers.

Personal, not professional: (1) ‘Roaring grizzlies viewed from tree stand’, in *Swan Valley Bear News*, Fall 2009. (2) Drawings published in the *University of Pittsburgh Working Papers in Linguistics* (covers of vol. 1, 1990; vol. 2, 1993; vol. 3, 1995); *Papers from the Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Atlantic Provinces Linguistic Association* (cover; Memorial University of Newfoundland, 1990); *Anthropology News* (January 2001); *University of Michigan Working Papers in Linguistics* (cover of vol. 1, 2004); *Artisans in the Kitchen: A Collection of Recipes by Alpine Artisans, Inc.* (2006); and as the logo for the 2013 Linguistic Institute of the Linguistic Society of America, University of Michigan.

### Invited lectures:

Conference on Montague Grammar, Philosophy, and Linguistics, SUNY/Albany (‘A fragment of Serbocroatian in Montague Grammar’, with Richmond Thomason), 1977.

The International Conference on Historical Morphology, Boszkowo, Poland, 1978.

Fourth International Conference on Historical Linguistics, Stanford University, 1979.

Plenary address, Tenth Annual University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Linguistics Symposium: Language Contact, 1981.

Zweiter Essener Kolloquium zu “Kreolsprachen und Sprachkontakten”, Universität GHS Essen, 1985.

Workshop on the Place of Thought Experiments in Science and Philosophy, University of Pittsburgh Center for the Philosophy of Science, 1986.

Science and Pseudoscience: 10th Annual Conference of the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal (CSICOP), Boulder, CO, 1986.

Conference on The Social Context of Language Change, Stanford University, (‘Language mixture: social causes and linguistic effects’), 1987.

COSWL panel discussion on Writing Effective Reviews and Abstracts, Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 1987.

International Round Table on Africanisms in Afro-American Language Varieties, University of Georgia, 1988.

Workshop on the Use of the Language Scientist as Expert in the Legal Setting, New York Academy of Sciences (‘Linguists as expert witnesses: pros and cons’), 1988.

The New Age: A Scientific Evaluation, Annual Conference of the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal (CSICOP), Chicago, 1988.

Plenary address, Ninth International Conference on Historical Linguistics (‘Coping with partial information in historical linguistics’), Rutgers University, 1989.

Symposium on Language Death in East Africa, Bad Homburg, Germany (‘Language death and other linguistic results of language contact’), 1990.

Conference on Language and Prehistory in the Americas, University of Colorado (‘Hypothesis generation vs. hypothesis testing: a comparison between Greenberg’s classifications in Africa and in the Americas’), 1990.

Plenary address, Sixteenth Annual Minnesota Conference on Language and Linguistics, University of Minnesota, 1990.

Keynote address, Fourteenth Annual Conference of the Atlantic Provinces Linguistic Association, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St John’s, 1990.

Keynote address, First International Conference on Spanish in Contact with Other Languages and XIIth Annual Conference on Spanish in the U.S.A., University of Southern California, 1991.

Wenner-Gren Conference on Anthropological Perspectives on the Human Genome Diversity Project, Seven Springs Center, Mt. Kisco, NY (‘Linguistic contributions to the study of the prehistory of populations’), 1993.

Colloquium on Synchronic and Diachronic Sociolinguistic Methods and Interpretations, Universität Bayreuth, 1993.

Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, symposium on Migration and Diffusion versus Indigenous Cultural Development in Prehistory, Atlanta ('Language mixture and the construction of linguistic phylogenies'), 1995.

Amsterdam Creole Workshop 95, Creole Genesis and Language Contact, University of Amsterdam ('Borrowing and pidgin/creole genesis'), 1995.

NIAS (Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences) Workshop on Language Contact: Linking Different Levels of Analysis, Wassenaar, 1996.

Plenary address, Fifth Workshop on Comparative Linguistics, Ohio State University ('Contact as a cause of language change'), 1996.

Conference on Explaining Global Human Diversity, University of Florida ('Do genes go with language?'), 1997.

Plenary address, First International Symposium on Bilingualism, Vigo, Spain, 1997.

Eastern States Conference on Linguistics, Yale University ('On irregular sound changes'), 1997.

Workshop on Entering New Landscapes, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford, 1998.

Plenary address, Annual meeting of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft ('Continuity and discontinuity in contact-language genesis'), Halle, 1998.

Plenary address, Workshop on Language Contact ('Typologies of contact situations'), Berlin, 1998.

Opening Seminar of the Language Contact Group, Oslo, 1998.

Conference on Storage and Computation: Issues in Linguistics ('Competition and rule creation in language variation and change'), Utrecht, 1998.

Conference on Entering New Landscapes ('The predictable and the unpredictable in language change and diversification'), University of Florida, 1999.

Symposium "Kulturelle und sprachliche Kontakte im historischen Raum Nordostafrika/Westasien", University of Mainz, 1999.

Collitz Lecture, Linguistic Institute of the Linguistic Society of America, University of Illinois, 1999.

Workshop on Language Maintenance and Death: Reports from the Field and Strategies for the Millennium ('Preserving endangered languages: Montana Salish, students' involvement, and other thoughts'), Linguistic Institute of the Linguistic Society of America, University of Illinois, 1999.

The Second Finnish Colloquium of South-East European Studies, University of Helsinki, 1999.

Conference on Languages in Contact, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (pre-conference tutorial on language contact and conference paper), 1999.

Plenary address, 45th Annual Conference of the International Linguistic Association ('Can rules be borrowed?'), Georgetown University, 2000.

Institute Lecture, Australian Linguistic Institute, Melbourne, 2000.

The Chavacano Conference: Shedding Light on the Chavacano Language, Manila, October 2000.

International Workshop on 'Theoretical Advances in the Study of Stable Mixed Languages', University of Manchester, 8-9 December 2000.

Symposium 'Immediate vs. Delayed Contact-Induced Language Change in Typologically Similar and Dissimilar Languages' ('Immediate vs. delayed contact-induced typological change'), Linguistic Society of America annual meeting, Washington, DC, January 2001.

Plenary address, Berkeley Linguistics Society annual meeting, February 2001.

Panel discussion on 'Where Do People Come From? Reconciling Interdisciplinary Approaches to Questions of Origins', American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, November 2001.

Workshop on 'Basic Tools for Linguistic Documentation', sponsored by the LSA Committee on Endangered Languages and Their Preservation ('Field techniques for eliciting lexical data'), Linguistic Society of America annual meeting, San Francisco, January 2002.

- Symposium ‘Interstellar Travel and Multi-Generational Space Ships’ (‘Language change and cultural continuity’), American Association for the Advancement of Science Annual Meeting, Boston, February 2002.
- Plenary address, The Seventh Annual Workshop on Structure and Constituency in the Languages of the Americas (‘Prominence marking in verbal arguments in Salish and Algonquian’, with Lucy Thomason), University of Alberta, Edmonton, March 2002.
- Arbeitstagung zum Thema Deutsch-slawischer Sprachkontakt, Entlehnungen, und sprachliche Identität (‘Bilingualism and language change through borrowing’), Cottbus, Germany, September 2002.
- 51st International Congress of Americanists/Congreso Internacional de Americanistas (‘On establishing the existence and direction of contact-induced changes in Pacific Northwest languages’), Santiago, Chile, 14-18 July 2003.
- Sixteenth International Conference on Historical Linguistics, University of Copenhagen (plenary speaker and session organizer), August 2003.
- First International Conference on Languages in Contact from Antiquity to the Modern Era, Madrid & Toledo, Spain, 2-4 October 2003.
- ‘Agents of change in language contact situations’. Workshop on Historical Linguistics and Language Contact: Indigenous Languages of Brazil and Adjacent Regions, Brasilia, October 2005.
- ‘Language history in the Pacific Northwest’. Workshop on Historical Linguistics and Hunter-Gatherer Populations, Max-Planck-Institut für evolutionäre Anthropologie, Leipzig, 10-12 August 2006.
- ‘Why universals VERSUS contact-induced change?’ Workshop on World Englishes: Vernacular Universals vs. Contact-Induced Change: An International Symposium, Universities of Joensuu and Tampere, Finland, 1-3 September 2006.
- ‘Social and linguistic factors as predictors of contact-induced change’, at the Symposium on Language Contact and the Dynamics of Language: Theory and Implications, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, 10-13 May 2007.
- ‘Internal & external processes of change in contact situations’, at the Workshop on Morphosyntactic Variation and Change in Situations of Language Contact, 7th Meeting of the Association for Linguistic Typology, Paris, 20-24 September 2007.
- Plenary address, ‘Does language contact simplify grammars?’, at the annual meeting of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft, Bamberg, 29 February 2008.
- Plenary address, ‘Can language contact lead to dramatic morphosyntactic change?’, at the Conference on Continuity and Change, Cambridge, England, 20 March 2008.
- Symposium on Linguistic Substrata in the Tibeto-Burman Area: New Perspectives towards Historical Methodology, Osaka, Japan, 9-11 September 2008.
- ‘How much can we know about ancient language contacts?’, at the Symposium on Interaction and Networking: Theoretical and Comparative Perspectives, Oslo, 27-29 January 2009.
- ‘Contact-induced language change: sociolinguistics vs. historical linguistics?’, at the Workshop on Language Contact, Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS), March 2009.
- Plenary address, ‘What is lost when a language is standardized?’, at the International Conference on Minority Languages (ICML), Tartu, Estonia, 28-30 May 2009.
- Plenary address, ‘Children vs. Adults as Agents of Contact-Induced Language Change’, at the 7th International Symposium on Bilingualism (ISB7), Utrecht, 8-12 July 2009.
- ‘Safe and unsafe language contact’, Linguistic Society of America Presidential Address, Baltimore, January 2010.
- ‘Innovation and contact: the role of adults’, conference on English as a Contact Language, University of Zurich, June 2010.
- Plenary address, ‘How to avoid pitfalls in documenting endangered languages’, 26th University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee Linguistics Symposium: Language Death, Endangerment, Documentation, and Revitalization, October 2011.

‘Contact-induced language change and typological congruence’. Special Session plenary talk, Berkeley Linguistics Society 38, 11 February 2012.

Plenary address, ‘When is language contact the best explanation for a linguistic change?’, 11th International Conference of Nordic and General Linguistics, University of Freiburg, 20 April 2012.

Plenary address, ‘When languages, or rather speakers, like to borrow morphology’. Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics, Boston (at the LSA meeting), 5 January 2013.

‘The Pacific Northwest linguistic area’. Historical Linguistics Workshop, Boston (at the Linguistic Society of America meeting), 6 January 2013.

Master Class on ‘Intentional language change: an introduction’, Workshop on Intentional Language Change, Universiteit Leiden, 27 September 2013.

‘Historical linguistics, 1924-2014’. The Ninetieth Anniversary of the LSA: A Commemorative Symposium, 88th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, 4 January 2014.

Plenary address, ‘Attitudinal factors in language loss and language revitalization’, at the 36th International LAUD Symposium: Endangerment of Languages across the Planet: The Dynamics of Linguistic Diversity and Globalization, University of Koblenz-Landau, 1 April 2014.

Mini-presentation with Richard Meier on ‘Evaluating datasets in tenure review’ at the workshop Developing Standards for Data Citation and Attribution in Linguistics, Boulder, CO, 19 September 2015.

‘Paul Chapin at NSF’, brief remarks at the Paul Chapin Tribute Session, Linguistic Society of America, Washington, DC, 8 January 2016.

‘A Haisla-Chinook Jargon-Tsimshian wordlist, ca. 1900’, at the Emmon Bach Memorial Symposium, Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas, Washington, DC, 8 January 2016.

Plenary address, ‘Language contact and language endangerment’, at the Second International Conference on Language Contact in India, Deccan College, Pune, February 2016.

Keynote address at the Chicago Linguistic Society, ‘Sound suppression and sound change’, April 2016.

Keynote address at the Fourth International Conference on Language Contact in Times of Globalization (LCTG4), University of Greifswald, Germany, March 2017.

Ohio State University, 1974, 1980, 1986, 1999.

Michigan State University, 1979 (‘Pidgin/creole origins: monogenesis or polygenesis?’), 1999.

University of Pennsylvania, 1981, 1995.

Duke University, 1983.

University of California, Santa Barbara (‘The role of simplification in pidgin genesis’), 1985; ‘Children vs. Adults as Agents of Contact-Induced Language Change’, 2010.

New York Academy of Sciences (‘On pidgin genesis’), 1987.

University of Kansas, 1990.

University of Delaware, 1991.

Graduiertenkolleg Mehrsprachigkeit und Sprachkontakte, Universität Hamburg, 1993.

City University of New York, 1994.

Australian National University, 1995.

Summer Institute of Linguistics, North Dakota, 1995.

University of Chicago, 1996, 2011.

University of Texas at Austin, 1996.

University of California, Berkeley, 1996.

Cornell University, 1997.

University of Rochester, 1997.

University of Michigan, 1998.

Freie Universität Berlin ('On being an expert witness', to a language & law class), 1998.

University of Oslo, 1998.

University of Szeged, Hungary ('Doing fieldwork on a Native American language'), 1999.

Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, 1999.

University of Helsinki, 1999.

Wayne State University, 2000, 2015.

University of Copenhagen, 2000 (two lectures, one to the Cercle linguistique de Copenhague and one to the Functional Linguistics group).

Universität Frankfurt, 2001 (three lectures).

Universität Bayreuth ('African Sprachbund phenomena'), 2001.

University of Missouri-Columbia (the James & Margaret Gavan Lecture; also a talk on doing fieldwork on Montana Salish to an anthropological linguistics class), 2002.

University of Hamburg, Sonderforschungsbereich 538, "Mehrsprachigkeit" (visit as guest scientist, 17-31 July 2004: one lecture and four workshops).

Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Linguistik-Internationales Promotions-Programm LIPP, "Sprachtheorie und Angewandte Sprachwissenschaft", 9-12 November 2004 (one lecture and one seminar).

AARP meeting ('Efforts to conserve the Salish and Kootenai languages'), Condon, MT, May 2006.

Swan Ecosystem Center meeting ('The Salish-Pend d'Oreille language: past and present'), Condon, MT, August 2006.

Anthropology Department, Smithsonian Institution ('Recovering and preserving indigenous knowledge: making a dictionary of an endangered language'), Washington, DC, January 2010.

Project "Spracherwerb, Sprachentwicklung, und Sprachkontakt in urbanen Regionen", Universität Hamburg ('Language contact, language change, language variation'), June 2010.

Institute of Linguistics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing ('Safe and unsafe language contact'; 'Agents of change in language contact situations'), June 2010.

'Contact-induced language change and typological congruence', New York University Linguistics Colloquium, 2 March 2012.

'Contact-induced language change and typological congruence', University of Mainz, 16 April 2012.

'When is language contact the best explanation for a linguistic change?' (Wilbur Cross Medal lecture), Yale University, October 2012.

'When languages, or rather speakers, like to borrow morphology'. Universiteit Leiden colloquium, 26 September 2013.

The University of Pittsburgh Informal Program ('The evolution of writing'), 1985.

University of Pittsburgh Anthropology Colloquium, 1987.

Learning, Development, and Cognition Brown Bag Series, University of Pittsburgh, 1989.

Publishing objectives: Panel discussion on journal editing, Fine Arts Department Colloquium, University of Pittsburgh, 1989.

The University of Pittsburgh Honors College Global Topics Lunchtime Lecture ('The tragedy of endangered languages'), 1996.

The University of Michigan Institute for the Humanities lecture series 'Lexicography: A Celebration of the Completion of the Middle English Dictionary', I: 'Making Dictionaries: Sumerian, Sanskrit, Salish', 2001.

University of Michigan Linguistics Colloquium, 2002.

Consortium for Language, Society, and Thought workshop on Mixed Languages/Language Mixing, University of Michigan (discussant for Pieter Muysken's paper), 2002.

Inaugural lecture on 'Can you change your language? The limits of historical determination in linguistic change', for the William J. Gedney Collegiate Professorship in Linguistics, March 2003.



Evening talk, ‘Unraveling language history in a hunter-gatherer population: Montana Salish and the Pacific Northwest linguistic area’, Michigan Society of Fellows dinner, ca. February 2007.  
‘Paranormal linguistics’, the University of Michigan Undergraduate Linguistics Club, November 2013.

### **Other conference presentations:**

Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, 1969, 1975 (San Francisco), 1976 (Philadelphia).  
Linguistic Society of America Summer Meeting, 1973 (Ann Arbor), 1974 (Amherst).  
International Conference on Pidgins and Creoles, Honolulu, 1975.  
International Conference on Historical Linguistics, 2nd (Tucson, 1976).  
International Conference on Salish and Neighboring Languages, 16th (University of Montana, 1981); 28th (University of Washington, 1993); 29th (Salish Kootenai College, Pablo, MT, 1994); 31st (University of British Columbia, 1996); 34th (Secwepemc Cultural Education Society, Kamloops, BC, 1999); 37th (Western Washington University, Bellingham, 2002); 40th (Musqueam Reserve, Vancouver, BC, 2005).  
Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas, 1995-96 Annual Meeting (‘Truncation in Montana Salish’, with Lucy Thomason, San Diego, 1996); 1998 Annual Meeting (‘Stem class and pluralization in Montana Salish’, with Lucy Thomason, New York); 1999 Summer Meeting (University of Illinois); 1999 Annual Meeting (‘M(m)(m): Degemination in Montana Salish?’, Chicago).  
Conference on African Linguistics, 16th (Yale University, 1985), 19th (Boston University, 1988).  
Eastern States Conference on Linguistics, 2nd (SUNY/Buffalo, 1985), 4th (Ohio State University, 1987).  
Spring Workshop on Theory and Method in Linguistic Reconstruction, University of Pittsburgh, 1st (‘Comments on the reconstruction of Proto-Salishan pronominals’, 1986); 2nd (‘Why grammatical reconstruction is necessary for proving genetic relationship’, 1988); 6th (‘Kinds of evidence available to support genetic linguistic classifications’, 1996); 8th (‘Linguistic areas and language history’, 2000); 9th (‘Irregular velar developments in Salish’, 2002); 11th (‘On syntactic reconstruction’, with Acrisio Pires, 2006).  
Australian Linguistic Society meeting (‘Two Montana Salish features:  $C_1VC_2C_2C_2(C_2)$  sound symbolism and irregular sound changes’), University of Melbourne, 2000.  
Michigan Linguistic Society meeting, Eastern Michigan University, October 2001.  
Symposium on Historical Linguistics Dead or Alive (‘Challenges from language contact studies to historical linguistic methodology’), annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Denver, 2003.  
Pionier Workshop on Case, Valency, and Transitivity (‘Case, valency, and transitivity: evidence from Montana Salish’), with Lucy Thomason and Daniel Everett, Nijmegen, 2003.  
Symposium on Language Birth (‘The birth of bilingual mixed languages’), annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Seattle, 2004.

### **Publications:**

#### **a. Books:**

1. *Language contact, creolization, and genetic linguistics* (first author; with Terrence Kaufman). Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California Press. 1988; paperback edition, 1991. [Ch. 2, ‘The failure of linguistic constraints on interference’, reprinted in Brian D. Joseph and Hope Dawson, eds., *Historical linguistics*, vol. 6 (London: Routledge, 2012). Ch. 3, ‘Contact-induced language change: an analytic framework’, reprinted in John Holm and Susan Michaelis, eds., *Contact languages*, vol. 4:34-64 (London: Routledge, 2008).]
2. *Contact languages: A wider perspective* (edited volume). Amsterdam: John Benjamins. 1997.

3. *Language contact: an introduction*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press; in North America, Georgetown University Press. 2001. [Chinese edition published by Beijing World Publishing Corporation, 2013.]
4. *The best of Language, 1925-2015*, selected and edited (1st editor, with Gregory Carlson and Brian Joseph). Published on line by the Linguistic Society of America. 2013.
5. *Endangered Languages: an Introduction*. Cambridge University Press. 2015.
6. *Montana Salish (Flathead) dictionary*. Salish-English, sixth draft (450+ pp.), 2010; English-Salish, second draft, 2010; electronic dictionary, first draft, 2014; 17,292 entries. St. Ignatius, MT: Salish Culture Committee. [Ongoing project.]

**b. Articles and book chapters:**

1. On the analysis of inflectional change. *Papers in Linguistics* 7:351-379. 1974.
2. What else happens to opaque rules? *Language* 52:370-381. 1976.
3. Analogic change as grammar complication. In William Christie, ed., *Current Progress in Historical Linguistics (ICHL 2)* (Amsterdam: North Holland), 401-409. 1976.
4. Contact-induced language change: loanwords and the borrowing language's pre-borrowing phonology (with Terrence Kaufman). In William Christie, ed., *Current Progress in Historical Linguistics (ICHL 2)* (Amsterdam: North Holland), 167-179. 1976.
5. A fragment of Serbocroatian declensional history. *Folia Slavica* 1/1:124-155. 1977.
6. Grammatical change in progress: messy grammar. *International Review of Slavic Linguistics* 2/1:59-71. 1977.
7. On interpreting "The Indian Interpreter". *Language in Society* 9:167-193. 1980.
8. Morphological instability, with and without language contact. In Jacek Fisiak, ed., *Historical Morphology* (Berlin: Mouton-deGruyter), 359-372. 1980.
9. Continuity of transmission and genetic relationship. In Elizabeth C. Traugott, Rebecca Labrum, and Susan Shepherd, eds., *Papers from the Fourth International Conference on Historical Linguistics* (Amsterdam: Benjamins), 27-35. 1980.
10. Review article on Kenneth C. Hill, ed., *The Genesis of Language* (Ann Arbor: Karoma), in *Studies in Second Language Acquisition* 3:237-249. 1981.
11. Twenty Flathead pronunciation/alphabet drills (includes a tape of ten of the drills, recorded with Tony Incashola). St. Ignatius, MT: Flathead Culture Committee. 1981.
12. Flathead grammar lessons. St. Ignatius, MT: Flathead Culture Committee. 1983.
13. Chinook Jargon in areal and historical context. *Language* 59:820-870. 1983.
14. Genetic relationship and the case of Ma'a (Mbugu). *Studies in African Linguistics* 14:195-231. 1983.
15. Do you remember your previous life's language in your present incarnation? *American Speech* 59:340-350. 1984.
16. On changes from palatalized labials to apical affricates. *International Journal of American Linguistics* 52:182-186. 1986.
17. On establishing external causes of language change. In Soonja Choi et al., eds., *Proceedings of the Second Eastern States Conference on Linguistics* (Columbus: The Ohio State University), 243-251. 1986.
18. Before the Lingua Franca: pidginized Arabic in the eleventh century A.D. (with Alaa Elgibali). *Lingua* 68:317-349. 1986. [Reprinted in John Holm and Susan Michaelis, eds., *Contact languages*, vol. 3:407-439 (London: Routledge, 2008).]

19. Contact-induced language change: possibilities and probabilities. In Norbert Boretzky, Werner Enninger, and Thomas Stolz, eds., *Akten des 2. Essener Kolloquiums über Kreolsprachen und Sprachkontakte* (Bochum: Studienverlag Dr. N. Brockmeyer), 261-284. 1986.
20. Past tongues remembered? *The Skeptical Inquirer* 11:367-75. Summer, 1987. [Reprinted in *The hundredth monkey and other paradigms of the paranormal*, ed. by Kendrick Frazier (Buffalo, NY: Prometheus Books, 1991), 85-94, and in *The Indian Skeptic* 5.1:18-27, 1992. Translated into German by Anita Ehlers and published as 'Mit fremden Zungen' in *Mein paranormales Fahrrad und andere Anlässe zur Skepsis, entdeckt im "Skeptical Inquirer"*, ed. by Gero von Randow (Hamburg: Rowohlt, 1993), 65-75. Translated into French by Michel Bellemare and posted as 'Que révèlent les analyses linguistiques au sujet des prétentions de la réincarnation? Les gens sous hypnose parlent souvent une langue apprise dans une vie antérieure' on the website of Les Sceptiques du Québec (2008), [www.sceptiques.qc.ca/ressources/lectures/auteurs/bellemare/langues.](http://www.sceptiques.qc.ca/ressources/lectures/auteurs/bellemare/langues.)]
21. Languages of the world. In C.B. Paulston, ed., *International Handbook of Bilingualism and Bilingual Education* (New York: Greenwood Press), 17-45. 1988.
22. Double marking in morphological change. In Ann Miller and Joyce Powers, eds., *ESCOL 87: Proceedings of the Fourth Eastern States Conference on Linguistics* (Columbus: The Ohio State University), 296-305. 1988.
23. Response to 'Response to "Past tongues remembered?"'. *The Skeptical Inquirer* 12:323-324. Spring, 1988.
24. "Entities" in the linguistic minefield. *The Skeptical Inquirer* 13:391-396. Summer, 1989.
25. Thought experiments in linguistics. In Tamara Horowitz and Gerald Massey, eds. *Thought Experiments in Science and Philosophy* (Savage, MD: Rowman & Littlefield), 247-257. 1991.
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