

# Curriculum Vitae: Lev Michael

## Education

University of Texas at Austin; Anthropology; MA 2001, PhD 2008

Reed College; Physics and Mathematics Dual Major; BA 1992

## Appointments

Professor, Department of Linguistics, UC Berkeley, July 2020 – present

Associate Professor, Department of Linguistics, UC Berkeley, July 2014 – June 2020

Assistant Professor, Department of Linguistics, UC Berkeley, July 2008 – June 2014

## Awards

**2021** Victor Golla Award (Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas)

**2015** UC Berkeley Distinguished Teaching Award

**2015** Linguistic Society of America Early Career Award

**2012** UC Berkeley Division of Social Sciences Distinguished Teaching Award

## Research Grants and Fellowships

**2019** NSF Linguistics Major Project Grant: Nasal segments and nasal harmony in South American languages: Field phonetics and typology. (Co-PI: Susan Lin)

**2017** Endangered Language Documentation Programme grant for documentation of M̃ỹk̃ỹ (Isolate, Brazil). [Postdoctoral Student: Bernat Bardagil-Mas; Berkeley PI: Lev Michael]

**2015** NSF-NEH Documenting Endangered Languages Fellowship (Iquito lexicon and morphology)

**2015** Mellon Project Grant for linguistic documentation of Iquito (Zaparoan).

**2014** France-Berkeley Fund collaborative research grant with Françoise Rose (University of Lyon 2) for comparative computational phylogenetic research on Southern Tupí-Guaraní languages.

**2013** Endangered Language Documentation Programme grant for documentation and sociolinguistic research on Siona (Tukanoan, Ecuador). [Postdoctoral Student: Martine Bruil; Berkeley PI: Lev Michael]

**2011** NSF Documenting Endangered Languages Major Project grant for documentation and description of Máfhiki (Tukanoan, Peru).

**2010** NSF Documenting Endangered Languages Major Project grant for documentation and analysis of genetic relations and contact history of Omagua (Tupí-Guaraní, Peru).

**2010** Hellmann Family Faculty Fund grant for documentation and grammatical analysis of Matsigenka (Arawak, Peru).

**2009** NSF Documenting Endangered Languages RAPID grant for time-sensitive documentation of Munique (isolate, Peru).

**2009** Andrew Mellon Foundation grant for Berkeley Linguistic Mapping Project (BeLMaP), a project to analyze spatial patterns in South American phonological linguistic data.

- 2008** Research Assistant in the Humanities Grant, Committee on Research, UC Berkeley. Assistant for Omagua (Tupí-Guaraní, Peru) corpus project.
- 2008** Junior Faculty Research Grant, Committee on Research, UC Berkeley. Grant for linguistic fieldwork on Andoa (Zaparoan, Peru).

### Monographs and Edited Volumes

2019. Lev Michael, Christine Beier, Jaime Pacaya Inuma, Ema Lloná Yareja, Hermenegildo Díaz Cuyasa, and Ligia Inuma Inuma. *Iquito-English Bilingual Dictionary*. Abya-Yala Press.
2016. Michael, Lev and Zachary O’Hagan. *A linguistic analysis of Old Omagua ecclesiastical texts*. Cadernos do Etnolingüística: Série Monografias.
2014. Nuckolls, Janis and Lev Michael (eds.). *Evidentiality in interaction*. John Benjamins.<sup>1</sup>
2014. Michael, Lev and Tania Granadillo (eds.). *Negation in Arawak languages*. Brill.
2014. Beier, Christine, Brenda Bowser, Lev Michael, and Vivian Wauters. *Diccionario Záparo Trilingüe*. Abya Yala Press.
2008. Michael, Lev. *Nanti evidential practice: Language, knowledge, and social action in an Amazonian society*. PhD dissertation, University of Texas at Austin.

### Journal Articles

2021. The classification of South American Languages. *Annual Review of Linguistics* 7: 329-349.
2020. Rethinking the communicative functions of evidentiality: Event responsibility in Nanti (Arawakan). *Cadernos de Etnolingüística* 8(1): 95-123.
2020. Rybka, Konrad and Lev Michael. A Privative Derivational Source for Standard Negation in Lokono (Arawakan). *Journal of Historical Linguistics* 9(3): 340–377.
2019. O’Hagan, Zachary, Natalia Chousou-Polydouri, Lev Michael. Phylogenetic Classification Supports a Northeastern Amazonian Proto-Tupí-Guaraní Homeland. *Línguas Indígenas Americanas (LIAMES)* 19: 1–29.
2019. Michael, Lev and Natalia Chousou-Polydouri. Computational Phylogenetics and the Classification of South American Languages. *Language and Linguistics Compass* 13: 1–16.
2019. Michael, Lev. Lines in Nanti karintaa chants: An areal poetic typological perspective (An essay in honor of Joel Sherzer). *Cadernos do Etnolingüística* 7(1): 56–64.
2018. Chacon, Thiago and Lev Michael. The evolution of subject-verb agreement in Eastern Tukanoan. *Journal of Historical Linguistics* 8(1): 59–94.
2015. Michael, Lev, Natalia Chousou-Polydouri, Keith Barolomei, Erin Donnelly, Vivian Wauters, Sérgio Meira, and Zachary O’Hagan. A Bayesian phylogenetic classification of Tupí-Guaraní. *Línguas Indígenas Americanas (LIAMES)* 15(2): 193–221.
2014. Michael, Lev. On the Pre-Columbian origin of Proto-Omagua-Kokama. *Journal of Language Contact* 7(2): 309–344.
2014. Michael, Lev. The Nanti reality status system: Implications for the typological validity of the realis/irrealis contrast. *Linguistic Typology* 18(2):251–288.

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<sup>1</sup>This volume is the re-issue of a special issue of *Pragmatics and Society* that I co-edited with Janis Nuckolls.

2014. Michael, Lev, Will Chang, and Tammy Stark. Exploring phonological areality in the circum-Andean region using a Naive Bayes Classifier. *Language Dynamics and Change* 4(1): 27–86.
2014. Chang, Will and Lev Michael. A relaxed admixture model of contact. *Language Dynamics and Change* 4(1): 1–26.
2013. Michael, Lev, Stephanie Farmer, and Greg Finley, Christine Beier, and Karina Sullón Acosta. A sketch of Munihe segmental and prosodic phonology. *International Journal of American Linguistics* 79(3): 307–347.
2012. Michael, Lev. Nanti self-quotation: Implications for the pragmatics of reported speech and evidentiality. *Pragmatics and Society* 3(2): 321–357.
2012. Nuckolls, Janis and Lev Michael. Introduction: Evidentials and evidential strategies in interactional and sociocultural context. *Pragmatics and Society* 3(2): 181–188.
2011. Michael, Lev. The interaction of tone and stress in the prosodic system of Iquito (Zaparoan, Peru). *Amerindia* 35: 53–74.
2011. Beier, Christine, Cynthia Hansen, I-Wen Lai, and Lev Michael. Exploiting word order to express an inflectional category: Reality status in Iquito. *Linguistic Typology* 15(1): 65–99.
2006. Beier, Christine and Lev Michael. The Iquito Language Documentation Project: Developing team-based methods for language documentation. *Linguistic Discovery* 4(1).
2005. El estatus sintáctico de los marcadores de persona en el idioma Nanti (Campa, Arawak) [The syntactic status of person markers in the Nanti language (Campa, Arawak)]. *Lengua y Sociedad* 7(2): 21–32.
2005. Crowhurst, Megan and Lev Michael. Iterative footing and prominence-driven stress in Nanti (Kampa). *Language* 81(1): 47–95.
2002. Beier, Christine, Lev Michael, and Joel Sherzer. Discourse forms and processes in indigenous lowland South America: an areal-typological perspective. *Annual Review of Anthropology* 31: 121–145.

## Book Chapters

- To appear. Munihe. In Patience Epps and Lev Michael (Eds.), *Amazonian languages: An international handbook*. de Gruyter Mouton.
- To appear. Christine Beier and Lev Michael. Aʔiwa. In Patience Epps and Lev Michael (Eds.), *Amazonian languages: An international handbook*. de Gruyter Mouton.
2018. Christine Beier and Lev Michael. Language revalorization in Peruvian Amazonia, through the lens of Iquito. In Leanne Hinton, Leena Huss, and Gerald Roche (eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of Language Revitalization*. Routledge.
2017. Epps, Patience and Lev Michael. Areal Linguistics of Amazonia. In Raymond Hickey (ed.), *Cambridge Handbook of Areal Linguistics*. Cambridge University Press.
2015. Michael, Lev. The cultural bases of linguistic form: The development of Nanti quotative evidentials. In Randy La Polla and Rik de Busser (eds.), *Language Structure and Environment*, pp.99–103. John Benjamins.
2014. Michael, Lev, Will Chang, and Tammy Stark. Exploring phonological areality in the circum-Andean region using a Naive Bayes Classifier. In Søren Wichmann and Jeff Good (eds.),

*Quantifying Language Dynamics*, pp. 7–66. Brill.<sup>2</sup>

2014. Michael, Lev. Social dimensions of language change. In Claire Bower and Bethwyn Evans (eds.), *Handbook of Historical Linguistics*, pp. 484–502. Routledge.
2014. Michael, Lev. Negation in Nanti. In Lev Michael and Tania Granadillo (eds.), *Negation in Arawak*, pp.184–215. Brill.
2014. Michael, Lev. A typological and comparative perspective on negation in Arawak languages. In Lev Michael and Tania Granadillo (eds.), *Negation in Arawak*, pp. 241–300. Brill.
2012. Michael, Lev. Possession in Nanti. In Alexandra Aikhenvald and R.M.W. Dixon (eds.), *Possession and Ownership: A cross-linguistic typology*, pp. 149–166. Oxford University Press.
2011. Language and Culture. In Peter Austin and Julia Sallabank (eds.), *The Cambridge Handbook of Endangered Languages*, pp. 120–140. Cambridge University Press.
2009. Clause linking in Iquito (Zaparoan). In R.M.W. Dixon and Alexandra Aikhenvald (eds.), *The Semantics of Clause Linking: A Cross-Linguistic Typology*, pp. 145–166. Oxford University Press.
2003. Michael, Lev and Christine Beier. Poblaciones indígenas en aislamiento voluntario en la región del Alto Purús [Indigenous populations in voluntary isolation in the Upper Purús region]. In Renata Leite Pitman, Nigel Pitman, and Patricia Álvarez (eds.), *Alto Purús: Biodiversidad, conservación y manejo [Upper Purús: Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management]*, pp. 149–164. Center for Tropical Conservation, Duke University.

### **Text publications**

2018. Beier, Christine and Lev Michael, with Jaime Pacaya Inuma. *Kasúiri saakíini* (The story of the moon). In Coler, Matt, Pilar Valenzuela, and Roberto Zariquiey (eds.), *Indigenous Peruvian Voices*, pp. S149–S155. Texts in Indigenous Languages of the Americas Series, *International Journal of Linguistics*.
2018. Michael, Lev and Christine Beier, with Haroldo Vargas Pereira. *Okoneatakerá sekatsi* (The origin of manioc). In Coler, Matt, Pilar Valenzuela, and Roberto Zariquiey (eds.), *Indigenous Peruvian Voices*, pp. S5–S18. Texts in Indigenous Languages of the Americas Series, *International Journal of Linguistics*.

### **Guest-Edited Journal Special Issues**

2014. with Harald Hammarström. Special issue: Quantitative Approaches to Areal Typology. *Language Dynamics and Change* 4(1).
2012. with Janis Nuckolls. Special issue: Evidentiality in Interaction. *Pragmatics and Society* 3(2).

### **Reviews**

2009. Michael, Lev. Review of Ramirez, Henri. *Línguas Arawak da Amazônia Setentrional: Comparação e Descrição [Arawak Languages of Northern Amazonia: Comparison and Description]*. *International Journal of American Linguistics* 75(3): 447–450.

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2009. Michael, Lev. Review of Danielsen, Swintha, Baure: An Arawak language of Bolivia. *International Journal of American Linguistics* 75(2): 288–290.
- 2006a. Michael, Lev. Review of Aikhenvald, Alexandra. *A Grammar of Tariana*. *International Journal of American Linguistics* 72: 410–413.
2004. Michael, Lev. Review of Solís Fonseca, Gustavo. Lenguas en la Amazonía Peruana. *International Journal of American Linguistics* 70: 89–91.

### Conference Proceedings

2016. Chousou-Polydouri, Natalia, Joshua Birchall, Sérgio Meira, Zachary OHagan and Lev Michael. A Test of Coding Procedures for Lexical Data with Tupí-Guaraní and Chapacuran Languages. *Proceedings of the Leiden Workshop on Capturing Phylogenetic Algorithms for Linguistics*.
2013. Khetarpal, Naveen, Grace Neveu, Asifa Majid, Lev Michael, and Terry Regier. Spatial terms across languages support near optimal communication: Evidence from Peruvian Amazonia, and computational analyses. M. Knauf, M. Pauen, N. Sebanz, and I. Wachsmuth (eds.), *Proceedings of the 35th Annual meetings of the Cognitive Science Society*. Available online: <http://lclab.berkeley.edu/papers/maihiki-v13.pdf>
- 2006 b. Michael, Lev. The moral implications of evidentiality in Nanti society: Epistemic distance as a pragmatic metaphor for moral responsibility. *Proceedings of the Thirteenth Symposium About Language and Society – Austin*. Vol. 13. Available online at: <http://studentorgs.utexas.edu/salsa/proceedings/2006/Michael.pdf>
- 2006c. Michael, Lev. La incorporación nominal y los clasificadores verbales en Nanti (Kampa, Arawak) [Noun incorporation and verbal classifiers in Nanti (Kampa, Arawak)]. *Proceedings of the Second Conference on the Indigenous Languages of Latin America*. Available online at: [http://www.ailla.utexas.org/site/cilla2/Michael\\_CILLA2\\_nanti.pdf](http://www.ailla.utexas.org/site/cilla2/Michael_CILLA2_nanti.pdf)
- 2006d. Beier, Christine and Lev Michael. La tecnología y la documentación lingüística en sitios remotos [Technology and language documentation in remote field sites]. *Proceedings of the Second Conference on the Indigenous Languages of Latin America*. Available online at: [http://www.ailla.utexas.org/site/cilla2\\_toc.html](http://www.ailla.utexas.org/site/cilla2_toc.html)
- 2004a. Michael, Lev. Between grammar and poetry: The structure of Nanti karintaa chants. *Proceedings of the Eleventh Symposium About Language and Society – Austin*. Vol. 11. Available online at: <http://studentorgs.utexas.edu/salsa/salsaproceedings/salsa11/SALSA11papers/michael.pdf>
- 2004b. Michael, Lev. Phonological fusion in Iquito (Zaparoan). *Proceedings of the First Conference on the Indigenous Languages of Latin America*. Available online at: [http://www.ailla.utexas.org/site/cilla1/Michael\\_Iquito.pdf](http://www.ailla.utexas.org/site/cilla1/Michael_Iquito.pdf)
2003. Michael, Lev. Reformulating the Sapir-Whorf hypothesis: discourse, interaction, and distributed cognition. *Proceedings of the Tenth Symposium About Language and Society – Austin*. Vol. 10. Available online at: <http://studentorgs.utexas.edu/salsa/salsaproceedings/salsa10/papers/michael.pdf>

- 2002a. Michael, Lev. Experience, knowledge, and reported speech in an Amazonian society: The Nanti of southeastern Peru. *Proceedings of the Ninth Symposium About Language and Society – Austin. Vol. 9*. Available online at: <http://studentorgs.utexas.edu/salsa/salsaproceedings/salsa9/papers/michael.pdf>
- 2002b. Michael, Lev. Direct speech, indirect speech, and cultural theories of mind: Evidence from an Amazonian society. *Proceedings of the 26th Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society*. Available online at: <http://elanguage.net/journals/index.php/bls/article/viewFile/695/555>
- 2000a. Michael, Lev. Creating discourse data metadata for the AILLA project: Lessons learned and needs felt. Linguistic Exploration Workshop on Web-Based Language Documentation and Description. Dec 12-15, 2001. University of Pennsylvania. Available online at: <http://www ldc.upenn.edu/exploration/exp12000/papers/michael/michael.pdf>.
- 2000b. Michael, Lev. Ethical tools, not an ethical standard. Linguistic Exploration Workshop on Web-Based Language Documentation and Description. Dec 12-15, 2001. University of Pennsylvania. Available online at: [www ldc.upenn.edu/exploration/exp12000/papers/michael/michael-ethics.pdf](http://www ldc.upenn.edu/exploration/exp12000/papers/michael/michael-ethics.pdf)

### Corpora, Databases, and Online Resources

2021. Michael, Lev and Christine Beier. Iquito dictionary. *Dictionaria* 14. 1-4128. DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.4676276 (Available online at <https://dictionaria.clld.org/contributions/iquito>)
- Present–2012. Michael, Lev, Emily Clem, Allergra Robertson, Tammy Stark, and Will Chang (compilers). South American Phonological Inventory Database. <http://linguistics.berkeley.edu/~saphon/en/>
2013. Michael, Lev, Christine Beier, and Zachary O’Hagan (compilers and annotators). Matsigenka text corpus (interlinearized LaTeX output of FLEx database). Archived with the Archive of Indigenous Languages of Latin America. Also available online at: [http://www.cabeceras.org/l dm\\_publications/mcb\\_text\\_collection\\_30jun2013\\_v1.pdf](http://www.cabeceras.org/l dm_publications/mcb_text_collection_30jun2013_v1.pdf)

### Community-Oriented Products

2019. Beier, Christine, Lev Michael, Jaime Pacaya Inuma, Ema Llona Yareja, Hermenegildo Daz Cuyasa, Ligia Inuma Inuma. *Diccionario Escolar Bilingüe Iquito-Castellano y Castellano-Iquito*. Cabeceras Aid Project.
2013. Michael, Lev, Christine Beier, Stephanie Farmer, Greg Finley, Kelsey Neely, Grace Neveu, Amalia Skilton, and John Sylak. *Diccionario Bilingüe Má’jiki-Castellano, Castellano-Má’jiki*. Ms, Má’jiki Project document.
2009. Michael, Lev, Christine Beier, Karina Sullón Acosta, Stephanie Farmer, Greg Finely, and Michael Roswell. *Dekyunáwa: Un diccionario de nuestro idioma muniche*. Ms and Audio CD, Muniche Language Documentation Project.
2009. Michael, Lev, Christine Beier, Karina Sullón Acosta, Stephanie Farmer, Greg Finely, and Michael Roswell. *Una breve descripción del idioma Muniche*. Ms, Muniche Language Documentation Project.
2009. Michael, Lev, Christine Beier, Karina Sullón Acosta, Stephanie Farmer, Greg Finely, and Michael Roswell. *Dékewü dekyunáwa: Vamos a hablar nuestro idioma muniche*. Ms, Muniche Language Documentation Project.

2009. Michael, Lev, Christine Bier, Ramón Escamilla, Marta Piqueras-Brunet. *Katsakati: El idioma antiguo del pueblo de Andoas*. Ms, Andoa Language Documentation Project.
2006. Michael, Lev, Christine Beier, Karina Sullón Acosta. *Diccionario Bilingüe Iquito-Castellano, Castellano-Iquito*. Ms, Iquito Language Documentation Project document.

### NGO Publications

2007. Michael, Lev and Christine Beier. *Una breve historia del pueblo Nanti hasta el año 2004 [A brief history of the Nanti people until 2004]*. Available online at: [http://www.cabeceras.org/cabeceras\\_nanti\\_histor\\_2004.pdf](http://www.cabeceras.org/cabeceras_nanti_histor_2004.pdf)
2005. Clark, Catherine, Lev Michael, and Christine Beier. *Los Mashco Piro de la región del río Purús: Factores que afectan a su bienestar y autodeterminación en un mundo que cambia [The Mashco Piro of the Río Purús region: Factors that affect their wellbeing and self-determination in a changing world]*. Cabeceras Aid Project Report. Available online at: [http://www.cabeceras.org/cabeceras\\_mashcopiro\\_2005.pdf](http://www.cabeceras.org/cabeceras_mashcopiro_2005.pdf)
2002. Beier, Christine and Lev Michael. *La condición actual del idioma indígena iquito y las claves factores afectando al proyecto de su recuperación [The current state of the Iquito language and the key factors affecting its revitalization]*. Available online at: [http://www.cabeceras.org/Iquito\\_Informe\\_2002.pdf](http://www.cabeceras.org/Iquito_Informe_2002.pdf)
2002. Beier, Christine. and Lev Michael. *Tierra, recursos y política: factores que afectan la titulación de las comunidades Nantis de Montetoni y Malanksiari [Land, resources, and politics: factors that affect the tilling of the Nanti communities of Montetoni and Malanksiari]*. Cabeceras Aid Project Report. Available online at: [http://www.cabeceras.org/cabeceras\\_tierra2002.pdf](http://www.cabeceras.org/cabeceras_tierra2002.pdf)
1998. Beier, Christine and Lev Michael. *The Camisea Nanti: A report on factors affecting their autonomy and welfare*. Cabeceras Aid Project Report. Available online at: <http://www.cabeceras.org/contents.htm>

### Archival Deposits

- Andoa Field Materials (California Language Archive: <http://dx.doi.org/doi:10.7297/X2NK3CKM>)
- Materials of the Berkeley Matsigenka Project (California Language Archive: <http://cla.berkeley.edu/collection/11087>)
- Materials of the Berkeley Maihiki Project (California Language Archive: <http://dx.doi.org/doi:10.7297/X2DR2SGD>)
- Materials of the Iquito Language Documentation Project (California Language Archive: <http://dx.doi.org/doi:10.7297/X2PC30JV>)
- Materials of the Omagua Documentation Project (California Language Archive: <http://dx.doi.org/doi:10.7297/X28C9TDJ>)

### Selected Academic Talks (Invited talks only)

- 29/07/21. with Fernando Carvalho, Thiago Chacon, Natalia Chousou-Polydouri, Gereon Kaiping, Konrad Rybka, and Andrés Sabogal. Interpreting the archaeological record to calibrate Arawakan linguistic phylogenies. Multidisciplinary approaches to the Amazonian Past Workshop. Society for the Anthropology of Lowland South America Biennial Meeting. [Invited talk]

- 23/09/20. with Natalia Chousou-Polydouri, Ronald L. Sprouse, and Zachary O’Hagan. Exploring the deep history of South America with comparative and areal-typological data and tools: Experiences, challenges, and prospects. Untangling the linguistic past of the Americas workshop. Online. [Invited talk]
- 07/04/19. El muniche. Congreso sobre las lenguas del Perú: Hacia un estado del arte. Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú; Lima, Peru. [Invited talk]
- 07/04/19. El nanti. Congreso sobre las lenguas del Perú: Hacia un estado del arte. Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú; Lima, Peru. [Invited talk]
- 07/02/19. El iquito. Congreso sobre las lenguas del Perú: Hacia un estado del arte. Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú; Lima, Peru. [Invited talk]
- 07/02/19. El máihîki. Congreso sobre las lenguas del Perú: Hacia un estado del arte. Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú; Lima, Peru. [Invited talk]
- 12/05/18. Captive Slavery and Language Contact in Amazonia. Congreso de Associação Brasileira de Estudos do Contato Linguístico X (ABECS X), Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina; Florianópolis, Brazil. [plenary speaker]
- 11/08/18. Lenguaje, conocimiento y acción social en una sociedad Amazónica [Language, knowledge, and social action in an Amazonia society]. Centro de Estudios Antropológicos; Universidad Autónoma de México. [Invited talk]
- 11/16/17. Proto-Omagua-Kukama, a pre-Columbian Amazonian creole language. UCSB Linguistics department colloquium talk. [Invited talk]
- 10/28/17. El origen del proto-omagua-kukama, un idioma de contacto precolombino de la Amazonía [The origin of Proto-Omagua-Kukama, a contact language of pre-Columbian Amazonia]. Conference for the Indigenous Languages of Latin America (CILLA), UT Austin. [Plenary speaker]
- 04/14/17. Lexical homology in computational phylogenetics: A comparative Tupí-Guaraní case study. Workshop on Language Variation and Change, University of Chicago. [Invited talk]
- 02/14/17. Approaches to lexical homology in computational phylogenetics: A Tupí-Guaraní case study. University of Oregon Linguistics department colloquium talk. [Invited talk]
- 08/18/16. Aspect in a theory of directionals. Syntax of the World’s Languages VII, Mexico City. [Plenary speaker]
- 11/25/14. Computational approaches to phonological areality: A South American case study. University of Bremen. [Invited talk]
- 01/05/13. Social dimensions of language change. Foundations of Historical Linguistics: Dynamics of Hunter-Gatherer Language Change, Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting Satellite Workshop. [Invited talk]
- 12/13/2012. Respondent to Robert Walker, ”Cultural Phylogenetics in Lowland South America”, KNAW Conference on Patterns of Diversification and Contact: A Global Perspective. Koninklijke Nederlandse Akademie van Wetenschappen, Amsterdam. [Invited talk]
- 09/10/2012. Phonological diffusion and intersocietal contact in Pre-Colombian South America. UC Berkeley Department of Anthropology Colloquium. [Invited talk]
- 09/23/2011. Exploring phonological diffusion in South America. Radboud Universiteit. [Invited talk]



- 02/20/2011. On the description and analysis of mixed stress-tone systems. Berkeley Tone Workshop. [Invited talk]
- 09/30/2010. Possession in Nanti. 10th International Workshop, Cairns Institute, James Cook University. [Invited talk]
- 07/16/2010. The cultural bases of linguistic form: The development of Nanti reportive and quotative evidentials. Research Center for Linguistic Typology, LaTrobe University. [Invited talk]
- 03/27/2010. The formal and discourse-ecological bases of poetic power: The case of Nanti karintaa. Symposium about Language and Society, Austin. [Invited talk]
- 03/16/2010. Evidence for Pre-Columbian language contact in the Southern Andes - Gran Chaco corridor. Radboud Universiteit. [Invited talk]
- 11/16/2009. Power relations in language shift and revitalization: The case of Iquito. Stanford Conference on Language and Power. [Invited talk]

### **Events organized**

- Verbal Art Symposium.* One-day symposium on verbal art in Amazonian societies (co-organized with Simeon Floyd) at Amazónicas VII (the international biennial conference on Amazonian languages), Baños, Ecuador, May 30, 2018.
- The Linguistic Typology of Amazonia.* Theme Session (co-organized with Patience Epps) at ALT 11, Albuquerque, New Mexico, August 3, 2015.
- Workshop on quantitative approaches to areal linguistic typology.* (co-organized with Harald Hammarström. Amsterdam, the Netherlands, December 13-14, 2012.
- Arawak negation.* Panel (co-organized with Tania Granadillo) at the Annual meeting of the Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas, Baltimore, Maryland, January 8, 2009.
- Symposium on Amazonian Languages.* The sole North American conference on Amazonian languages; held biennially at UC Berkeley since 2015. SAL 1 (co-organized with Martine Bruil), April 27-28, 2015; SAL 2 (co-organized with Zachary O'Hagan), April 8-9, 2017; SAL 3 (co-organized with Myriam Lapierre and Zachary O'Hagan), March 16-17, 2019.

### **Professional Positions Held**

- Editor, *Cadernos de Etnolingüística.* January 2018 – present. Led the relaunching of this on-line, open access journal focusing on indigenous languages of South America.