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Education

2019 – present PhD student, University of California, Berkeley— Linguistics

2021 MA, University of California, Berkeley— Linguistics

Thesis: Nomlaki Vowel Quality and Duration: An Archival Examination

Advisor: Keith Johnson

BA, University of Florida— Linguistics, East Asian Languages and Literatures—Chinese.

Thesis: Perceptual Bias In Lexical Tone Perception

Advisor: Ratree Wayland

Research interests

2019

Archival phonetics; Wintuan languages, language revitalization. My primary research interests are in leveraging archival recordings for the phonetic analysis of the Wintuan languages of California, as well as exploring how deep learning can be used to supplement revitalization, particularly re: text-to-speech. My recent work has concerned developing a ToBI-style system of intonational transcription for Patwin (ISO: pwi) called PaToBI.

Publications

- Anna Björklund. (2023). Acoustic correlates of word-level stress in Garifuna: Tales from digital fieldwork. In: De la Cruz-Sánchez, G, George-Michael Pescaru, Kegan Reeve, Remo Nitschke, Sumi Lee (eds.), Coyote Papers 25: Proceedings of the Arizona Linguistics Circle 16.
- Gašper Beguš and Aleksei Nazarov and Anna Björklund and Blas Puente-Baldoceda. (Submitted). Lexicon against Naturalness: Unnatural Gradient Phonotactic Restrictions and Their Origins.

Conference presentations and posters

Oct 2022 Arizona Linguistics Circle 16, Tuscon, Arizona.

Anna Björklund, Acoustic correlates of word-level stress in Garifuna: Tales from digital field-work. (Paper)

Jan 2022 **96th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America,** Washington, DC. Anna Björklund, *Vowel Duration in Nomlaki: An Archival Examination.* (Poster)

Nov 2021 **Relating of the Acoustical Society of America**, Seattle, WA. Anna Björklund, *Nomlaki Vowel Quality: An Acoustical and Archival Examination.* (Poster)

Other Manuscripts

- Nomlaki Vowel Quality and Duration: An Archival Examination. 2021. MA thesis (First Qualifying Paper), UC Berkeley.
- Intonational Analysis and Prosodic Transcription of Patwin. 2023. Second Qualifying Paper, UC Berkeley.
- A Finding Aid for the C. Hart Merriam Papers at the Bancroft Library. With Dakota Robinson. 2021. Unpublished manuscript, UC Berkeley (prepared for the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians).
- A Finding Aid for the J. P. Harrington Papers at the National Museum of Natural History and National Anthropological Archives. With Dakota Robinson. 2021. Unpublished manuscript, UC Berkeley (prepared for the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians).

Research Appointments

Summer 2022

Graduate Student Researcher (GSR), California Language Archives (Survey of California and Other Indian Languages), UC Berkeley.

Spring 2022

Graduate Student Researcher (GSR), California Language Archives (Survey of California and Other Indian Languages), UC Berkeley.

Employment

2023-present

■ Data Science Fellow, Berkeley D-Lab.

Helping social science researchers at Berkeley achieve the research goals they want through teaching and consulting in Python and R fundamentals, data wrangling and visualization.

2022- present

Linguistic Consultant, Toyun-Wintu Center, Wintu Tribe of Northern California. Assisting in language documentation and revitalization of the Wintu language through activities such as language teaching and archival work.

2020- present

Linguistic Consultant, Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians
Assisting in language documentation and revitalization of the Nomlaki language through activities such as language teaching and archival work.

Teaching

Spring 2022

■ LING 111: Introduction to Phonology

Graduate Student Instructor, UC Berkeley. Primary instructor: Gašper Beguš.

Fall 2022

■ LING 140/COG SCI 160: Quantitative Methods in Linguistics
Graduate Student Instructor, UC Berkeley. Primary instructor: Susanne Gahl.

Fall 2021, 2023

■ LING 110: Phonetics

Graduate Student Instructor, UC Berkeley. Primary instructor: Susan Lin.

Spring 2021

LING R1B: Endangered languages: Why does linguistic diversity matter? Primary instructor, UC Berkeley.

Teaching (continued)

Fall 2020 LING

■ LING 5: Introduction to Linguistics Graduate Student Instructor, UC Berkeley. Primary instructor: Larry Hyman.

Awards, fellowships, & grants

- Data Science for Social Justice Fellow, UC Berkeley D-Lab.
- NSF LLiNARP (Language Learning in Native American Revitalization Programs) attendance grant
- 2021 Summer Community Engagement Grant
- 2020 Graduate Remote Instruction Innovation Fellow
- 2019-2020 Foreign Language Area Studies Fellow—Mandarin Chinese

Department-internal talks

- Fall 2023 Phonology, Phonetics, and Psycholinguistics Forum ("Phorum"), UC Berkeley. Intonational Analysis and Prosodic Transcription of Patwin.
- Spring 2022 Phonology, Phonetics, and Psycholinguistics Forum ("Phorum"), UC Berkeley.

 Nomlaki Language Revitalization: Notes from the Archives.
 - Fall 2021 Fieldwork Forum, UC Berkeley. Notes from the Archives: The Road to Nomlaki Language Revitalization.

Service

- 2021-2022 **Berkeley Fieldwork Forum ("FForum")**, UC Berkeley Co-organizer (with Zachary Wellstood)
- Berkeley Phonetics, Phonology, & Psycholinguistics Forum ("Phorum"), UC Berkeley Co-organizer (with Dakota Robinson)

Professional Affiliations

- 2023-present Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of America
- 2021-present Acoustical Society of America
- 2019-present Linguistic Society of America
- 2017-present Phi Beta Kappa

Skills

Natural Languages

Native: English

Proficient: Chinese Mandarin, Swedish Coursework/intermediate: Japanese, Spanish

Fieldwork: Nomlaki, Wintu, Garifuna, Yucatec Maya, Choctaw

Programming Languages

Python, R

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