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EDUCATION

- 2006- *Ph.D. Candidate*, Georgetown University (Linguistics)
- 2003-2006 *M.S.*, Georgetown University (Linguistics)
 Thesis: *A Minimalist Account of Auxiliary/Main Verb Asymmetries in English*
- 1993-2000 *B.A.*, University of Maryland, Baltimore County (Linguistics & Spanish)
 Thesis: *A Critical Comparison of Creole Genesis Theories*

RESEARCH AREAS

Syntactic theory; semantic theory; Distributed Morphology and the syntax-semantics interface; tense, grammatical aspect, and aktionsart; argument structure; event structure; architecture of the grammar; creole languages; language aptitude; language testing.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Second Language Testing, Inc. (2005-present)

Linguist, operations manager, and language aptitude coordinator

- Oversee all aspects of business management, including accounting, human resources, and facilities management
- Oversee proposal development for the majority of responses to solicitations prepared by SLTI, including the development of technical and financial components of proposals
- Serve as primary contract specialist, negotiating and approving contracts and maintaining records of progress towards milestones for multiple contracts (typically four to six) simultaneously
- Oversee all activities of Second Language Testing Foundation, a not-for-profit sister company of SLTI; activities include all financial tracking and the preparation of the annual tax return
- Coordinate the sale and marketing of language aptitude tests and handle inquiries regarding the tests and language aptitude in general
- Serve as the lead developer of language aptitude tests, adaptations of such tests, and specifications for such tests
- Coordinate the summer intern program and oversee the daily activities of all interns (typically two to five interns per summer)
- Utilize linguistic knowledge in the application of principles of linguistic simplification and Universal Design on test items to maximize the accessibility of items for English Language Learners
- Serve as project manager for a variety of test-translation and test-development projects

Georgetown University (Fall 2006-Spring 2009)

Graduate Assistant

- **Teaching Assistant, Semantics and Pragmatics (LING 531)**
Fall 2006 and Fall 2007
Graded student assignments; assisted students with course content during office hours and electronically.
- **Teaching Assistant, Syntax (LING 225)**
Spring 2007, Spring 2008, and Spring 2010
Graded student assignments; assisted students with course content during office hours and electronically.
- **Research assistant**
Fall 2008 and Spring 2009
Assisted Dr. Paul Portner with editorial issues for an encyclopedia of semantics and a volume on modality; helped coordinate the search for a new syntax professor.

PUBLICATIONS

- In Press. The syntax and semantics of infinitival *yet* constructions. In *Proceedings of Chronos 8: International Conference on Tense, Aspect, Mood, and Modality*.
2008. *Yet* as a negative perfect marker in English. In *Snippets* online journal.
<http://www.ledonline.it/snippets/>
2007. The Movement Theory of Control and the *pro*-drop Parameter: Some Implications for Language Acquisition. In *Georgetown University Working Papers in Linguistics*, 2007.
2006. A'-movement in Saramaccan: An Overview. In *Georgetown University Luso-Hispanic Linguistics Papers*, 2006.
<http://www8.georgetown.edu/departments/spanport/GULLP/index.cfm>
2006. A Minimalist Account of Auxiliary Selection and Predication. In *Georgetown University Working Papers in Linguistics*, 2006.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2010. "Language Testing in the US Government." With Beth Mackey and Philippe Casteuble. Poster presented at the Linguistics Society of America Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD.
2009. "Development and Equating of Parallel Forms of the Pre-DLAB." With John Lett, Charles Stansfield, Carolyn Fidelman, and George Reinhart. Paper presented at the East Coast Organization of Language Testers Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
2008. "Development of the Pre-DLAB." With John Lett, Charles Stansfield, Carolyn Fidelman, and George Reinhart. Paper presented at the East Coast Organization of Language Testers Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
2008. "The syntax and semantics of infinitival *yet* constructions." Paper presented at Chronos 8: International conference on tense, aspect, mood, and modality, Austin, TX.

2007. "Development and equating of new forms of the DLAB." With Charles Stansfield and Dorry Kenyon. Paper presented at the East Coast Organization of Language Testers Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
2007. "Infinitival *yet* and sentential aspect." Paper presented at the Mid-America Linguistics Conference, Lawrence, KS.
2007. "The non-NPI use of *yet*: Effects on aspect and clausal structure." Paper presented at the Georgetown University Roundtable on Languages and Linguistics, Washington, DC.
2006. "Control in nominalizations: Distributed morphology and the movement theory of control." Poster presented at the University of Texas at Arlington Student Conference in Linguistics and TESOL, Arlington, Texas.
2005. "A'-movement in Saramaccan." Paper presented at the Georgetown Graduate Portuguese and Hispanic Symposium, Washington, D.C.
2005. "A'-movement in Saramaccan." Paper presented at the Pennsylvania State University Hispanic Linguistics Colloquium, State College, Pennsylvania.

ADDITIONAL PRESENTATIONS

2005. A series of two lectures on set theory, functions, relations, and logic and their pertinence to semantic theory, given to the Semantics and Pragmatics class at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.
2005. A presentation to the linguistics department at Georgetown University of the work on T-to-C movement by Pesetsky and Torrego (2000) as a precursor to a talk by Hajime Ono and Tomohiro Fujii (University of Maryland).
2005. "The Syntax of Questions and Relative Clauses in English." Invited talk for the Structure of English class in the TESOL Department at American University, Washington, D.C.

TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Stansfield, C., J. Kelly, C. Fidelman, D. Kenyon, and G. Reinhart. 2009. *Development and validation of Forms B, C, and D of the Pre-DLAB*. Technical report to the Center for the Advanced Study of Language (CASL) and the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLIFLC): Second Language Testing, Inc.
- Stansfield, C., J. Kelly, C. Fidelman, D. Kenyon, and G. Reinhart. 2008. *Development and validation of Form A of the Pre-DLAB*. Technical report to the Center for the Advanced Study of Language (CASL) and the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLIFLC): Second Language Testing, Inc.
- Stansfield, C., J. Kelly, D. Kenyon, D. MacGregor, and J. R. Ryu. 2007. *Development and Validation of four parallel forms of the DLAB*. Technical report to the Center for the Advanced Study of Language (CASL) and the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLIFLC): Second Language Testing, Inc.

Stansfield, C., L. Kennedy, and J. Kelly. 2007. *Universal design and plain language in NAEP: Theory and practice*. Technical report to NAEP Education Statistics Service Institute and the National Center for Educational Statistics: Second Language Testing, Inc.

Stansfield, C., J. Kelly, L. Kennedy, D. Kenyon, and M. Louguit. 2007. *Test specifications for the Defense Language Aptitude Battery*. Technical report to the Center for the Advanced Study of Language (CASL) and the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLIFLC): Second Language Testing, Inc.

Stansfield, C., A. Lopez, R. Scarborough, and J. Kelly. 2006. *Development and Validation of Delaware's English Language Learners Assessment (DELLA) Of English Language Arts*. Technical Report to the Delaware Department of Education: Second Language Testing, Inc.

Stansfield, C., A. Lopez, M. Bowles, and J. Kelly. 2006. *Development and Validation of the Listening-Summary Translation Exam: Algerian Arabic*. Technical Report to the Federal Bureau of Investigation: Second Language Testing, Inc.

Kelly, J. 2005. *Item Specifications and Guidelines for Item Writing for the Modern Language Aptitude Test (MLAT)*. Technical Report: Second Language Testing, Inc.

GRANTS AND ACADEMIC AWARDS

- Georgetown University Graduate Assistantship (including tuition and stipend; Fall 2006 – Spring 2009, Spring 2010)
- Georgetown University Department of Linguistics Travel Grants (travel expenses for four conferences)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Chair, *Georgetown Linguistics Society Conference*, Georgetown University, 2010.

Dissertation Reviewer, *The Segmentation/Parsing Unit in Cairene Spoken Arabic* by Rajaa Aquil, Georgetown University, 2006.

Reviewer, *Georgetown University Working Papers in Theoretical Linguistics*, Georgetown University, 2006 – 2009.

Organizational Assistant, *Georgetown University Round Table on Languages and Linguistics*, 2004 – 2007.

LANGUAGES

Language Skills:

English (Native Speaker)
Spanish (Advanced)

Research Languages:

English, Spanish, Saramaccan