



The Linguist's Workshop: Data, Theory, Experimental Testing



08.Jul - 09.Jul 2019

Cod. L02-19

Mod.:

Face-to-face

Edition

2019

Activity type

Summer course

Date

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Location

Miramar Palace

Languages

English

Academic Validity

20 hours

Organising Committee



Description

This Course proposal has two objectives. First, it aims at critically reviewing the notion of «parameter» and the formal means by which variation can be accounted for in a biolinguistics framework, understood as the interdisciplinary area defined by the joint contributions of linguistic theory, and advances in biology, the neurosciences, psycholinguistics, computational modeling and genetics. Second, the course presents a comprehensive analysis of the process from data collection to theory formation, and from there to experimental settings for hypothesis testing. In this sense, the course is a practical exercise in scientific research, geared towards masters and doctoral students as well as academic professionals interested in developing their own research project in the experimental area or linguistic documentation more generally. The course is organized on the basis of three basic themes: (i) *Language Documentation for Linguistic Theory*; (ii) *Linguistic Variation and Linguistic Theory*; and (iii) *Approaching experimental linguistics as a tool for pursuing theoretical questions*.

This Course brings together 6 internationally renowned specialists in the areas it addresses: Roberta D'Alessandro (professor at Utrecht University, expert in language contact and syntactic theory), Leticia Pablos (University of Leiden, specialized in experimental psycholinguistics); Maria Polinsky (professor at the University of Maryland, leader of language documentation projects), Ian Roberts (professor at Cambridge University and a well known scholar in the area of linguistic variation and change), Douglas Saddy (professor at the University of Reading, expert in models of experimental analysis), and Juan Uriagereka (professor at the University of Maryland and expert in syntactic theory). The course is organized by Ricardo Etxepare (Directeur de Recherches, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique) and Myriam Uribe-Etxebarria (professor at the Universidad del País Vasco/Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea). It is sponsored by the lab IKER UMR 5478 (CNRS, Université Bordeaux Montaigne, Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour), the Basque Research Group in Theoretical Linguistics (UPV/EHU) and the Centre de Lingüística Teòrica (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona). Each day of the course will start with a presentation of the organizers and closed by a one-hour synthesis, and discussion led by the organizers. The Course also provides an opportunity for the dissemination of ongoing research by means of a daily poster session during the coffee sessions, open to young researchers.

Objectives

An informed view of the explicit grammatical models that have been developed to address linguistic variation. In addition, elements for a critical examination of the strengths and weaknesses of those models will be discussed.

A good understanding of the conceptual, methodological and practical issues related to language documentation and fieldwork as part and parcel of theoretically oriented research.

A good understanding of how experimental methodologies can contribute to elucidate concrete aspects of linguistic structure and use.

A view of some of the most recent theoretical attempts to account for linguistic variation in a biolinguistics setting.

A view of some of the most recent initiatives related to language documentation.

A view of some of the most recent research being done in experimental linguistics.

Course specific contributors



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Program

08-07-2019

09:15 - 09:30	Entrega de documentación
09:30 - 11:15	“Language Variation and Linguistic Theory I” Juan Uriagereka University of Maryland - Professor
11:15 - 11:40	Break
11:40 - 13:30	“Language Variation and Linguistic Theory II” Ángel J. Gallego Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona - Professor
15:00 - 16:45	“Language Variation and Linguistic Theory III” Ian Roberts Cambridge University - Professor
16:45 - 17:45	Poster Session (presentación por medio de posters de una selección de trabajos de los alumnos inscritos)
17:45 - 18:45	Round table: “Discusión dirigida por los organizadores del curso” Ricardo Etxepare Iginitz CNRS - Directeur de Recherches

09-07-2019

09:30 - 11:15	“Language Documentation for Linguistic Theory” Maria Polinsky University of Maryland - Professor
11:40 - 13:30	“Experimental Linguistics: approaching experimental linguistics as a tool for pursuing theoretical questions” Douglas Saddy University of Reading - Professor
15:00 - 16:45	“The Linguist's Toolkit for Experimental Linguistics” Leticia Pablos Robles Leiden University - Associate professor
16:45 - 17:45	Poster Session (presentaciones por medio de posters de una selección de trabajos de los alumnos inscritos)
17:45 - 18:45	Round table: “Discusión dirigida por los organizadores” Ricardo Etxepare Iginitz CNRS - Directeur de recherches

Directed by



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Myriam Uribe-Etxebarria is professor of Linguistics at the University of the Basque Country. She is a member of the Basque Research Group in Theoretical Linguistics. She specializes in syntax in the syntax-semantics interface, particularly in the areas of aspectual and temporal meanings.

Teachers



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Leticia Pablos Robles

Leticia Pablos Robles is currently an Associate Professor and co-manager of the Experimental Linguistics Laboratories at the Leiden University Centre for Linguistics, The Netherlands. She is specialised in the area of Syntactic and Semantic Processing for which she has conducted cross-linguistic research on Basque, Spanish, Mandarin, French, Dutch, Papiamentu and English, among others. Her interests lay in the areas of processing at the syntax-semantics and syntax-prosody interfaces, code-switching, L2 processing and Basque. 2018- present: LUCL Experimental Linguistics Co-Lab Manager 2017- present : Associate Professor, Leiden University Centre for Linguistics 2014-2017: Post-doctoral Researcher Leiden University Centre for Linguistics 2011-2013: Lecturer Latin American Studies, Leiden University Centre for Linguistics 2009-2011: Guest Researcher, Leiden University Centre for Linguistics, The Netherlands 2008-2009: Lecturer English and German Philology Department, University of the Basque Country 2006-2008: Post-doctoral Fellow University of Reading, UK 1999-2006: PhD in Linguistics, University of Maryland, USA 1995-1999: BA in English Philology, University of Deusto 1997-1998: Erasmus Exchange Program, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands



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Registration fees

REGISTRATION	UNTIL 01-03-2019	UNTIL 31-05-2019	UNTIL 08-07-2019
INVITATION	0 EUR	-	-
GENERAL	-	60,00 EUR	70,00 EUR
REDUCED FEE	-	35,00 EUR	-
REGISTRATION EXEMPTIONS	-	20,00 EUR	20,00 EUR

Place

Miramar Palace

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