

11th Annual Undergraduate Linguistics Colloquium at Harvard

Schedule

Saturday, April 19th 2014

10:00 **Breakfast in Boylston Hall, Room 105**

11:00 **Opening Ceremony**

Session 1

11:15 **Hannah Perry '15**, Dartmouth College

Receding traditional Eastern New England dialect features in Maine: A sociophonetic study across 150 years of apparent-time

11:35 **Thuy Bui '14**, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

The marker Co in Yes-No Questions in Vietnamese

11:55 **Phillip Bradshaw '13**, Georgetown University

A Sociophonetic analysis of drag speech - Language at the intersection of gender and sexual identity construction

Break

Session 2

12:30 **Kaveh Varjoy '14**, University of California, Santa Barbara

Appropriation through music: YouTube as a site of contact between English and ASL

12:50 **Jaclyn Jeffrey-Wilensky '14**, Cornell University

A measure of coreference resolution difficulty and its applications

1:10 **Morgan Moyer '14**, University of Maryland

2-year-olds' comprehension of pronouns

Lunch Break

Session 3

2:30 **Patience Haggin '14**, Princeton University

Four ways of looking at Raymond Queneau's poetry

2:50 **Mirva Johnson '14**, The College of William and Mary

Trends of loanword origins in 20th century Finnish

3:10 **Amanda Baker '14**, University of Rochester

The effects of verb transitivity and transitivity bias on VP ellipsis and anaphora

3:30 **Abigail Bard '14**, Dartmouth College

The political economy of indigenous languages in peripheral Japan

Break

Keynote Speaker

4:05 **Professor Wesley Jacobsen**, Professor of the Practice of the Japanese Language
& Director of the Japanese Language Program, Harvard University

Argument structure in a pro-drop language: the case of Japanese

5:00 **Reception in Boylston Hall, Room 303**

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Sunday, April 20th 2014

10:00 **Breakfast in Boylston Hall, Room 105**

Session 1

- 11:00 **Joseph Babeu '15**, Brandeis University
Mock Spanish in American discourse: Hombres vs. guys
- 11:20 **Colette Feehan '14**, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
An Optimality Theoretical approach to child language
- 11:40 **Ian McFarlane '14**, The College of William and Mary
Gendered language in Japanese illustrated erotica: Gay characters by genre

Break

Session 2

- 12:15 **Jeffrey Ngare '14**, The College of William and Mary
Effectiveness of phonetic information on Mandarin tones for second-language learners
- 12:35 **Christopher Naber '15**, Emory University
Adjunction in auxiliary contraction
- 12:55 **Beth Houze '14**, Cornell University
Innovation and conservatism: A case study of insular West Norse languages

Lunch Break

Session 3

- 2:15 **Zach Sedefian '14**, State University of New York, Albany
OCP violations in Manyika verbs
- 2:35 **Seth Dworman '14**, Brandeis University
A systematic approach to non-systematicity: Identifying true speech errors in child production data
- 2:55 **Christopher Hammerly '14**, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Mapping gender assignment in French: Nominal categories and features

Break

Session 4

- 3:30 **Kelsey Renoll '15**, The College of William and Mary
The effect of position and stress in eliciting metathesis
- 3:50 **Martha Schwarz '14**, Brandeis University
The changing conventions and meanings of Nepali second person pronouns
- 4:10 **Closing Ceremony**