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 loanwords 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 conservativism: 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