The 21st Diachronic Generative Syntax Conference

Wednesday 5 June- Friday 7 June 2019
Memorial Union (MU) 085 (Union Stage)

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

8:30am – 9:30am  Conference and Workshop Registration:
Lattie F. Coor Hall 4403, 976 S Forest Mall

9:00am – 5:00pm  Pre-conference Workshop: Comparative Approaches to the Diachronic Morpho-Syntax of the Indigenous Languages of North and Central America.
Location: Lattie F. Coor Hall 4403 (See separate program.)

6:00pm – 8:00pm  ***Workshop Closing Reception/Conference Opening Reception***
Location: TBA

Wednesday, June 5, 2019

8:00am – 9:00am  Conference Registration: Memorial Union (MU) 085

8:45am – 9:00am  Welcome: Johanna Wood, (Aarhus University)

9:00am – 10:15pm Chair: Johanna Wood, (Aarhus University)
Invited speaker: Will Oxford (University of Manitoba)
Probe respecification

10:15am – 10:30am  ***Morning Break***

10:30am-12:15pm  Session 1. Left Periphery (Romance), Chair: Mireille Tremblay (University of Montreal)
10:30am – 11:05am  The rise of C-systems from Latin to Romance: a micro-diachronic analysis.
Valentina Colasanti (University of Cambridge)

11:05am – 11: 40am  The diachrony of Old French verb-second: not just an inside job.
Espen Klævik-Pettersen (University of Oslo)

11:40am – 12: 15pm  Merged and moved - topics in Old French.
Christine Meklenborg Salvesen (University of Oslo)
12:15pm – 1:15pm   ***Lunch on your own***

1:15pm – 3:00pm   Session 2. Left Periphery/Negation (Germanic), Chair: George Walkden, University of Konstanz

1:15pm – 1:50pm   Paratactic Negation in the History of German.
Elisabeth Witzenhausen (Ghent University)

1:50pm – 2:25pm   From 'nawther) ne...ne' to 'neither...nor'.
Ian Kirby (Harvard University)

2:25pm – 3:00pm   ‘Non-Coordinating und’ in the History of German.
Sophia Oppermann (University of Cologne)

3:00pm – 3:35pm   He then said...: (Understudied) deviations from V2 in Early Germanic.
Nicholas Catasso (Bergische Universität Wuppertal), Marco Coniglio (Georg-August-Universität Göttingen), Chiara De Bastiani (Università Ca' Foscari Venezia) and Eric Fuß (Ruhr-Universität Bochum)

3:35pm – 3:50pm   ***Afternoon Break***

3:50pm – 5:35pm   Session 3. Number/Gender, Chair: Judy Bernstein, William Paterson University

3:50pm – 4:25pm   The Evolution of Russian Paucal Numerals: From Dual to Paucal.
Tatyana Slobodchikoff (Troy University)

4:25pm – 5:00pm   The journey, not the endstate: finding innovation in the dynamics of L1A.
Naomi Lee and Ailís Cournane (New York University)

5:00pm – 5:35pm   Historical changes in Sub-word formation: The case of Arabic -a(t).
Myriam Dali and Éric Mathieu (University of Ottawa)

6:00pm – 8:00pm   ***Evening Reception***

Appetizers: Cash Bar
Graduate Hotel,
225 E Apache Blvd, Tempe, AZ 85281
Thursday, June 6, 2019

8:30am – 9:00am Conference Registration: Memorial Union (MU) 085

9:00am – 10:15am Chair: William Kruger (Arizona State University)

Invited speaker: Bridget D. Samuels (University of Southern California)
Deep diachrony of human language & cognition

10:15am – 10:30am ***Morning Break***

10:30am – 12:15pm Session 4. Cycles of Change, Chair: Matthew Maddox
(University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

10:30am – 11:05am Formalizing the notions of re-bracketing and ad sensum agreement.
Timothy Gupton and Chad Howe (UGA Department of Romance Languages)

11:05am – 11:40am A Plural to Singular Reanalysis Cycle.
Jonah Bates and Andrew McKenzie (University of Kansas)

11:40am – 12:15pm Gothic Preverbs at the Juncture of Morphosyntactic Structure, Grammaticalisation, and Cyclic Change.
Tamisha Tan (Harvard University, Nanyang Technological University)

12:15pm – 1:15pm ***Lunch on your own***

1:15pm – 3:00pm Session 5. Determiners and Pronouns, Chair: Paola Crisma, Università di Trieste

1:15pm – 1:50pm Emphatic pronouns and the development of definite articles: Evidence for a layered DP in early Romance.
Judy Bernstein (William Paterson University), Francisco Ordonez (Stony Brook University) and Francesc Roca (Universitat de Girona)

1:50pm – 2:25pm The Reanalysis of Schwa in Old French Determiners: Gender, Number and the Nominal Spine.
Mireille Tremblay (University of Montreal) and Monique Dufresne (Queen's University)

2:25pm – 3:00pm The genesis of third person pronouns: Insights from Late Latin and Old French.
Lieven Danckaert (CNRS), Liliane Haegeman (Ghent University) and Sophie Prévost (CNRS)

3:00pm – 3:35pm Gaps in the paradigm: Tracking the emergence of indefinite pronouns in Basque
Ricardo Etxepare (CNRS)
3:35pm – 3:50pm  

***Afternoon Break***

3:50pm – 5:35pm  

**Session 6. Mood and Aspect**, Chair: Paul Kiparsky (Stanford University)

3:50pm – 4:25pm  

Conditionals in Greek: operator movement & upward reanalysis from Attic to Modern. Katerina Chatzopoulou (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

4:25pm – 5:00pm  

*Have*-doubling and the grammaticalization of *have* in West Germanic. Joanna Wall (Utrecht University and the Meertens Institute)

6:30pm – 9:30pm  

***Conference Dinner***

Gordon Biersch Brewery, 420 South Mill Ste 201, Tempe, AZ 85281

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**Friday, June 7, 2019**

8:30am – 9:00am  

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9:00am – 10:15pm  

Chair: Angela Schrader (Arizona State University)

**Invited Speaker**: Paul Kiparsky (Stanford University)
Title TBA

10:15am – 10:30am  

***Morning Break***

10:30am – 12:15pm  

**Session 7. Grammaticalization**, Chair: Giuseppe, Longobardi (University of York)

10:30am – 11:05am  

Accusative Clitic/Null Object Variation in Spanish and the Object Agreement Cycle. Matthew Maddox (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

11:05 am – 11:40am  

From clitic to affix: the loss of morphological parameters & grammaticalization in Western Iberian. Brian Gravely (University of Georgia)

11:40 am – 12:15pm  

The Birth of an Epistemic Indefinite: vaegy in Transylvanian Hungarian. Tamás Halm and Ágnes Bende-Farkas (Research Institute for Linguistics (Hungarian Academy of Sciences))

12:15pm – 1:15pm  

***Lunch on your own***
1:15pm – 2:25pm  **Session 8. Agreement**, Chair: Elly van Gelderen (Arizona State University)

1:15pm – 1:50pm  Two Directions for Change: Case Studies in the Loss of Null Subjects.  
Julianne Doner (University of Toronto)

1:50pm – 2:25pm  Greenberg’s Sixth Universal Revisited: The VSO/SVO Word Order Contrast in Early Egyptian.  
Chris Reintges (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique)

2:25pm – 2:45pm  ***Afternoon Break***

2:45pm – 4:30pm  **Session 9. General Change**, Chair: Éric Mathieu (University of Ottawa)

2:45pm – 3:20pm  Diachronic syntax is child’s play.  
Paola Crisma (Università di Trieste), Cristina Guardiano (Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia) and Giuseppe Longobardi (University of York).

3:20pm – 3:55pm  Against mechanisms: towards a minimal theory of change.  
George Walkden (University of Konstanz)

4:00pm – 4:30pm  **Business meeting**