

*Curriculum Vitae*  
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**EDUCATION**

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1998	Ph.D.	English Language and Literature. The University of Michigan.
1995	M.A.	English Language and Literature. The University of Michigan.
1991	B.A.	Linguistics. Yale University. <i>summa cum laude</i> , Phi Beta Kappa, honors in Linguistics.

**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

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2004 – present	Associate Professor, Department of English, University of Michigan.
2004 – present	Associate Professor, School of Education, University of Michigan.
2009 – present	Associate Professor, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan.
2002 – 2004	Assistant Professor, Department of English, University of Michigan.
2003 – 2004	Assistant Professor, School of Education, University of Michigan.
1998 – 2002	Assistant Professor, Department of English, University of Washington.
2001 – 2002	Adjunct Professor, Department of Linguistics, University of Washington.
1994 – 1997	Graduate Student Instructor, Department of English, University of Michigan.
1991 – 1993	English teacher, Huazhong Normal University, Wuhan, P.R.C.

**AWARDS AND GRANTS**

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2011	Undergraduate Teaching Award, English Department, University of Michigan.
2011-2012	Gilbert Whitaker Fund Grant for Improvement of Teaching, University of Michigan.
2009	Faculty Recognition Award, University of Michigan
2007	Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship, University of Michigan.
2007	Henry Russel Award, University of Michigan.
2005 – 2006	Interdisciplinary Faculty Associates Grant, University of Michigan.
2005 – 2006	Gilbert Whitaker Fund Grant for Improvement of Teaching, University of Michigan.
2003 – 2004	Senior Fellow, Sweetland Writing Center, University of Michigan.
2001	Royalty Research Scholar, University of Washington.
2001	Nominee, University Distinguished Teaching Award, University of Washington.
2000, 2001	Recognition for Excellence in Teaching, English Dept., University of Washington.
2000	Royalty Research Fund Grant, University of Washington.
1999	Distinguished Dissertation Award Nominee, University of Michigan.
1998	Moscow Prize for Excellence in Teaching Composition, University of Michigan.
1997 – 1998	Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship, University of Michigan.
1996 – 1998	American Dialect Society Presidential Honorary Membership.
1993 – 1998	Regents Fellowship, University of Michigan.
1991	Robert E. Lewis Memorial Award and Robert Perkins Award, Yale University.

**PUBLICATIONS**

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*Books*

*How English Works: A Linguistic Introduction*. 3<sup>rd</sup> edn. 2012. With Michael Adams. New York: Pearson/Longman. (1<sup>st</sup> edn., 2006; 2<sup>nd</sup> edn., 2009.)

*First Day to Final Grade: A Graduate Student's Guide to Teaching*. 3<sup>rd</sup> edn. 2011. With Lisa Damour. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press. (1<sup>st</sup> edn., 2000; 2<sup>nd</sup> edn. 2006.)

*Gender Shifts in the History of English*. 2003. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. (Paperback edn., 2009)

#### Articles

Says Who?: Teaching and Questioning the Rules of Grammar. 2009. *PMLA* 124.3: 870-879.

Addressing Ideologies around African American English. 2004. With Alicia Beckford Wassink. *Journal of English Linguistics* 32.3: 171-185.

XXIV ICAME Conference, 23-27 April, 2003, Guernsey. 2004. With Taryn Hakala. *ICAME Journal: Computers in English Linguistics* 28: 144-151.

Teaching the Politics of Standard English. 2002. *Journal of English Linguistics* 30.4: 339-352.

The End of Modern English? 2000. *American Speech* 75.3: 299-301.

Lexicography and Questions of Authority in the College Classroom. 2000. *Dictionaries* 21: 90-99.

English Historical Corpora in the Classroom. 2000. *Journal of English Linguistics* 28.1: 77-89.

Third-Person Pronouns in *The Peterborough Chronicle*. 1996. *Neuphilologische Mitteilungen* 97.3: 301-314.

#### Contributions to Books

Periodization in the History of the English Language. Forthcoming. In *Historical Linguistics of English*. Eds. A. Bergs and L. Brinton. Mouton de Gruyter.

Revisiting the Reduplicative Copula with Corpus-Based Evidence. Forthcoming. In *Handbook on the History of English: Rethinking Approaches to the History of English*. Eds. T. Nevalainen and E. C. Traugott. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

The Electronic Life of Texts: Insights from Corpus Linguistics. Forthcoming. In *English Corpus Linguistics: Crossing Paths*. Ed. M. Kytö. Amsterdam: Rodopi.

Defining Practices in Early Modern English Medical Texts. 2011. With Rod McConchie. In *Medical Writing in Early Modern English*. Eds. I. Taavitsainen and P. Pahta. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. 74-92.

Historical Corpus Linguistics and Evidence of Language Change. 2009. In *Corpus Linguistics: An International Handbook*. Eds. M. Kytö and A. Lüdeling. Berlin/New York: Walter de Gruyter. 1091-1109.

Corpus-based Approaches to the History of English. 2008. In *A Companion to the History of the English Language*. Eds. Michael Matto and Haruko Momma. Malden, MA: Blackwell. 596-607.

The Importance of Historical Corpora, Reliability, and Reading. 2006. With Chris C. Palmer. In *Corpus-based Studies in Diachronic English*. Eds. R. Facchinetti and M. Rissanen. Bern: Peter Lang. 17-34.

Spelling Stories: A Way to Teach the History of English. 2005. In *Language in the Schools: Integrating Linguistic Knowledge Into K-12 Teachers*. Eds. K. Denham and A. Lobeck. New Jersey: Lawrence Erlbaum. 139-148.

Opening Dictionaries to Investigation. 2005. In *Language in the Schools: Integrating Linguistic*

*Knowledge Into K-12 Teachers*. Eds. K. Denham and A. Lobeck. New Jersey: Lawrence Erlbaum. 247-258.

Americanization. 2001. With Priscilla Wald. *Encyclopedia of American Studies*. New York: Grolier. 118-121.

The Compass of the Vocabulary. 1999. In *Lexicography and the OED: Pioneers in the Untrodden Forest*. Ed. L. Mugglestone. Oxford: OUP. 96-109.

Gender Categories in Early English Grammars: Their Message to the Modern Grammarian. 1999. In *Gender in Grammar and Cognition*. Eds. B. Unterbeck and M. Rissanen. The Hague: Mouton de Gruyter. 561-576.

The Diary of Henry Machyn: An Electronic Text. 1997. With Richard W. Bailey. In *Tracing the trail of time*. Eds. R. Hickey, M. Kytö, I. Lancashire, and M. Rissanen. Amsterdam: Rodopi. 25-31.

#### *Edited Volumes*

*Contours of English and English Language Studies*. 2011. With Michael Adams. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.

*Studies in the History of the English Language II: Unfolding Conversations*. 2004. With Kimberly Emmons. Berlin; New York: Mouton de Gruyter.

#### *Journal Issues*

*African American English*. Special Issue of the *Journal of English Linguistics* 32.3 (September 2004) with Alicia Beckford Wassink.

*Teaching American English*. Special Issue of the *Journal of English Linguistics* 30.4 (December 2002) with Michael Adams.

*Historical Corpora*. Special Issue of the *Journal of English Linguistics* 28.1 (March 2000) with Charles Meyer.

#### *Reviews*

Change in Contemporary English: A Grammatical Study. Forthcoming. *Language*.

Weaving Together Words: A New History of the English Language. 2008. Review of *Inventing English* by Seth Lerer. *Michigan Quarterly Review* 47.1: 133-140.

The Cambridge History of the English Language, Volume VI: English in North America. 2005. *American Speech* 80.4: 425-432.

Teaching and Learning by Doing Corpus Analysis: Proceedings of the Fourth International Conference on Teaching and Language Corpora, Graz 19-24 July, 2000. (Language and Computers: Studies in Practical Linguistics 42.) 2004. *ICAME Journal: Computers in English Linguistics* 28: 120-126.

The Development of Standard English, 1300-1800. 2003. *Journal of English Linguistics* 31.2: 171-77.

A History of English: A Sociolinguistic Approach. 2002. *Journal of Germanic Linguistics* 14.4: 373-79.

Indian By Birth: The Lumbee Dialect (videorecording), The Ocracoke Brogue: A Portrait of Hoi Toider Speech (videorecording), Ocracoke Speaks: The Distinct Sounds of the "Hoi Toide" (compact disc or cassette; full transcription). 2002. *American Speech* 77.2: 216-221.

Discourse Studies: A Multidisciplinary Introduction. 2001. With Amy Snyder Ohta. *Modern Language Journal* 85.2: 322-324.

Corpus Linguistics: Investigating Language Structure and Use. 1999. *ICAME Journal: Computers in English Linguistics* 23: 141–147.

Aspects of Semantic Opposition in English. 1995. Book Notice. *Language* 71.3: 650–652.

#### Columns

Perspectives on the Academic Job Search. 2007. With Robin Queen. (In the Profession column.) *Journal of English Linguistics* 35.4: 374-377.

Academic Publication. 2006. With Robin Queen. (In the Profession column.) *Journal of English Linguistics* 34.4: 367-372.

In the Profession. 2006. With Robin Queen. *Journal of English Linguistics* 34.2: 166-168.

#### Audio/Video Lecture Course

The Joy of Words: English Words and Their Origins (36 lectures). Forthcoming 2012. Chantilly, VA: The Teaching Company.

How Conversation Works (6 lectures). Forthcoming 2012. Chantilly, VA: The Teaching Company.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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#### Courses at University of Michigan:

English 250	He Said, She Said: How Conversations Work
English 301	Language and Gender
English 303	Language and Gender (cross-listed with Linguistics 394)
English 305	Introduction to Modern English
English 308	History of the English Language
English 406	Modern English Grammar
English 505	History of the English Language (graduate seminar)
English 506	Structure of English (graduate seminar)
English 630	Standard English and the Politics of Language Authority (graduate seminar)
English 677	Language and Gender (graduate seminar)
English 695	The Practice of Pedagogy

### **ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMITTEE SERVICE**

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#### Service to the University of Michigan:

2010 – 2013	Member, Academic Affairs Advisory Committee
2009 – 2011	Member, Center for Research on Learning and Teaching Board
2008 – 2011	Member, Executive Committee, English Language Institute
2008 – 2009	Member, Selection Committee for Rackham Outstanding GSI Award
2008 – 2009	Member, Selection Committee for Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship
2006 – 2007	Member, University Bargaining Team for UM-LEO contract
2004 – 2007	Member, LSA Academic Judiciary Committee
Fall 2004	Member, LSA Waitlist Project Committee
Winter 2003	Member, Planning Committee for the 2003 Provost's Seminar on Teaching

#### Service to the English Department, University of Michigan:

2008 – 2012	Director, English Department Writing Program
2008 – 2011	Member, Executive Committee (both elected and <i>ex officio</i> )
2010 – 2011	Chair, Hiring Committee (tenure-track position in Composition and Rhetoric)

2010 – 2011	Chair, Hiring Committee (Associate Director for EDWP)
2008 – 2009	Member, Hiring Committee
2004 – 2007	Director, Undergraduate Studies
2004 – 2007	Director, First and Second Year Studies
2003 – 2007	Member, Executive Committee
2004 – 2007	Chair, First and Second Year Studies Committee.
2004 – 2007	Chair, Lecturer Major Review Committee
2003 – 2004	Member, Jobseekers Committee
2003	Chair, English Department Textbook Committee
2002 – 2004	Member, First and Second Year Studies Committee
2002 – 2007	Member, English and Education Committee
2002 – 2007	Co-Coordinator, First-Year Composition Workshop

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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### Editing and Consulting:

2003 – 2011	Co-Editor, <i>Journal of English Linguistics</i> .
2005 – present	Member, Editorial Advisory Committee for <i>American Speech</i> .
2006 – present	Member, American Heritage Dictionary Usage Panel.
2008 – present	Board Member, Center for Research on Girls.
Fall 2005	Review Panelist, National Endowment for the Humanities.
1999 – 2002	Associate Editor, <i>Journal of English Linguistics</i> .
1997 – 1998	Editor, Millennium Project, University of Michigan.
1996	Research assistant, Middle English Compendium project, University of Michigan.

### Associations:

American Council of Learned Societies (delegate for American Dialect Society 2005 – 2007)

American Dialect Society  
 Member, Executive Committee (elected January 2010)  
 Chair, Committee on Teaching

Dictionary Society of North America

International Computer Archives of Modern and Medieval English  
 Member, ICAME Executive Board

International Society for the Linguistics of English  
 Member, Nominating Committee (2006-2011)

Linguistic Society of America

Modern Language Association  
 Member, Executive Committee, MLA Language Change Division (2004-2009)  
 Member, Executive Board, MLA Lexicography Discussion Group (2000 – 2005)

National Council of Teachers of English

Society for Germanic Philology