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## Curriculum Vitae

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**Education:** Ph.D. Harvard University, Department of Linguistics, June 2006
   **Dissertation:** "Referential-Access Dependency in Penobscot"
   B.A. Cornell University, Department of Linguistics (summa cum laude), May 1999


## Teaching and Curriculum Development:

• McGill University/Listuguj Educational Directorate Mi'gmaq Project, field director    (May-August 2012)

• University of Southern Maine, adjunct assistant professor    (2007-2009, 2011-)
*Community Language Project: linguistic facilitator (Arabic, Farsi, Russian)*    (Spring-Summer 2013)
*LIN 312: Phonology and Morphology; LIN315: Linguistic Field Methods (Irish Gaelic)*    (Spring 2013)
*LIN315: Linguistic Field Methods (Passamaquoddy-Maliseet)*    (Summer 2007-9, 2011)

• University of Southern Maine Upward Bound, Mandarin instructor    (June-July 2011)

• Chinese-American Friendship Assoc. of Maine, Mandarin instructor    (Spring 2011)

• University of Nizwa, assistant professor    (Fall 2009-Jan. 2011)

*Introduction to Mandarin Chinese*    (Fall 2010)
*Arabic for Overseas Teachers*    (Fall 2010)
*ENGL140: Introduction to Linguistics*    (2009-2010)
*ENGL231: Introduction to Syntax/Grammar II*    (Fall 2009)
*ENGL291: Discourse Analysis II*    (2009-2010)
*ENGL140: Introduction to Linguistics*    (2009-2010)
*ENGL360: Project in English and Education*    (2009-2010)
*ENGL150: English I*    (2009-2010)

• Penobscot, Passamaquoddy-Maliseet community language classes

*Written Passamaquoddy for native speakers*    (2009)
*Effective language-learning: tricks and tools* (Passamaquoddy language class)    (2006-2008)
*Intensive Passamaquoddy-Maliseet*, co-taught with M. Soctomah, E. Mitchell.    (Summer 2003)
*Intermediate Penobscot*, co-taught with C. Dana.    (Summer 2002)
*Introductory Penobscot,* co-taught with C. Dana.    (Summer 2001)

• University of California-Berkeley Dept. of Linguistics/Smithsonian Institution Breath of Life workshop tutor

*Penobscot grammar and philology.*    (13-24 June 2011)
*Ventureño Chumash grammar and philology.*    (6-12 June 2010)

*Obispeño Chumash grammar and philology.* (8-15 June 2008)

• Harvard University Undergraduate Linguistics Tutorials (Ling 97r/98r)
 = *half-semester courses wholly designed and taught as a graduate student*

*The Syntax-(Discourse) Semantics Interface* (Spring 2005)
*Theory and Practice of Typology* (Fall 2004)
*Structure of Penobscot and the Northeast Algonquian Languages* (Fall 2004)
*Phonology of White and Green Hmong* (Spring 2004)
*Phonologies of the Languages of the Northeast Area of This Continent* (Fall 2003, 2002)
*Methodology of Fieldwork* (Fall 2002)
*Structure of Penobscot* (Fall 2001)

• Teaching Assistant/Teaching Fellow

*LSA 132: The Syntax of Edges,* LSA 2005 Summer Institute. Dr. Enoch Aboh. (Summer 2005)
*LSA 103: Chinese Historical Syntax,* LSA 2005 S'r Institute. Dr. Tsu-Lin Mei, Dr. A. Peyraube.(Summer 2005)
*Ling 115: Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology*, Harvard University. Dr. Andrew Nevins. (Spring 2005)
*Ling 88: Language and Cognition*, Harvard University. Dr. Cedric Boeckx. (Fall 2004)
*SA34: Knowledge of Language*, Harvard Univ. Dr. Jay Jasanoff, Dr. Javier Martin-Gonzalez. (Fall 2003)
*Ling 112b: Introduction to Syntactic Theory,* Harvard University. Dr. Julie Legate. (Spring 2003)
*Ling 80: Dialects of English,* Harvard University. Dr. Bert Vaux. (Spring 2003)
*Ling 110: Introduction to Linguistics,* Harvard University. Dr. Jie Zhang. (Fall 2002)

### Private and Small-Group Teaching

Mandarin (individual tutoring) (ongoing)
Arabic (small-group tutoring) (ongoing)

### Professional and Community Service:

peer reviewer: *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory, International Journal of American Linguistics, Canadian Journal of Linguistics, Journal of the International Phonetic Association, Recherches Amérindiennes au Québec*
2009 Dissertation committee member for David Kaufman, University of Kansas.
2002 Joint organizer (with Claire Bowern) of the Harvard University/Dudley House Graduate Light Verb Workshop, 11 November 2002.
2002 Organizer of the Harvard University GSAS Workshop on Comparative Syntax and Linguistic Theory (2001-2002).

### Memberships:

Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas
Linguistic Society of America

### Publications:

(in progress) *How to Not Speak English: an Everyday Guide to Learning Foreign Languages.*
2012 Endangered languages. In Carol A. Chapelle, ed. *The Encyclopedia of Applied Linguistics.* Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell.

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| 2011 | Algonquian linguistics. In Mark Aronoff, ed. *Oxford Bibliographies Online: Linguistics.* New York: Oxford University Press. |
| 2009 | Incorporated verbal classifiers in a predictive typology of noun incorporation. In Heather Bliss, ed. *Papers for WSCLA 13 & 14.* Vancouver: UBC Working Papers in Linguistics. |
| 2009 | How to swear in Maliseet-Passamaquoddy and Penobscot. (with P. LeSourd). *Anthropological Linguistics* 51:1-37. |
| 2009 | Towards a model of maximal accessibility in linguistic documentation work. In P. K. Austin, O. Bond, M. Charette, D. Nathan, & P. Sells, eds. *Proceedings of Conference on Language Documentation & Linguistic Theory 2.* London: ELDP/SOAS. |
| 2003 | *Harvard Working Papers in Linguistics IX: Papers from the Harvard University/Dudley House Graduate Light Verb Workshop.* (ed. with G. Aygen and C. Bowern). Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Department of Linguistics. |
| 2002 | Some unresolved issues in the Penobscot materials of Frank T. Siebert, Jr. In David H. Pentland, ed. *Papers of the 30th Algonquian Conference.* Winnipeg: University of Manitoba. 288-297. |
| 2001 | A preliminary survey of animacy categories in Penobscot. In John D. Nichols, ed. *Papers of the 32nd Algonquian Conference.* Winnipeg: University of Manitoba. 395-426. |
| 2000 | Yaxaas iyo Dawaco (Crocodile and Fox). (with M. Ahmed). *Portland Magazine*, April 2000. |

## Research Grants, Consultancies, and Fellowships:

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| 2011 | Grant consultant/evaluator: "Wôpanâak Language Reclamation Project: Nuwôpanâôt8âm, I Speak Wampanoag". *<www.wlrp.org>*. |
| 2010 | "Under-Documented Minor Genres of Passamaquoddy-Maliseet Speech". Phillips Fund for Native American Research, American Philosophical Society ($2,500). |
| 2006-8 | "Documentation of Under-Represented Genres of Passamaquoddy-Maliseet Linguistic Practice". Hans Rausing Endangered Languages Project, Endangered Languages Documentation Program, Individual Postdoctoral Fellowship #0103 ( £ 65,352/$114,893). |
| 1995-8 | Grant project worker (assistant editor): NSF Award #9707081 "Preservation and Cataloging of Siebert Linguistic Materials" ($78,012); and preceding 3 NSF grants. |
| 2009 | Grant consultant: Administration for Native Americans (USA) FY 2009 grant "Passamaquoddy Language Revitalization Planning Project" ($73,329). |
| 2002-3 | Grant consultant: Administration for Native Americans (USA) FY 2003 grant "Penobscot Language Revitalization Project" ($124,066). |
| 2005-6 | Harvard University Dissertation Completion Fellowship. Competitive merit award covering tuition, required fees, and living stipend for the final year of dissertation work. |
| 2000-1 | Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship in Humanistic Studies. Competitive merit award covering tuition, required fees, and living stipend for the first academic year of doctoral study. |
| 2000 | Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS). Used for Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute, UW-Madison, Madison, WI, Second-Year Hmong, June-Aug. 2000. |

## Language Documentation Experience and Production:

Individual field elicitation:

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| • USA: | Penobscot, Passamaquoddy-Maliseet, Somali, Quechua, Hmong |
| • Canada: | Hupačasatḥ Nuuchahnulth, Mi'gmaq |
| • Indonesia: | Sundanese |
| • Taiwan: | Saisiat, Atayal, Kanakanavu |
| • Oman: | Baluchi, Kumzari, Colloquial Omani Arabic |

Field methods courses taught:  Passamaquoddy-Maliseet
Field methods courses taken:    Bimanese, Zazaki Kurdish, Amdo Tibetan, Burmese

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| (in progress) | Listuguj Mi'gmaq sketch grammar.  Brief reference grammar of the Listuguj (Restigouche) dialect of Mi'gmaq. |
| (in progress) | Passamaquoddy conversational texts. Draft XML (via ELAN) database of annotated transcriptions of 140+ hours of digitally-recorded Passamaquoddy conversations. |
| (in progress) | Penobscot reference grammar.  Comprehensive analytical grammar of Penobscot. |
| 2012 | Listuguj Mi'gmaq online language course.  (with MaryAnn Metallic, Janice Vicaire, Joe Wilmot, Roger Metallic, Janine Metallic, Vicki Metallic, Elise McClay, Carol Little, Gretchen McCulloch, and Erin Olson, inter alia) |
| 2011 | The design of a community language documentation skills workshop.  Brief outline. |
| 2010 | Facilitated Language Teaching (FLT): affordable and effective use of local language resources.  Manual for untrained native speaker + trained linguist(ic) facilitator collaborative teaching. |
| 2010 | Accessible language documentation.  Initial set of simple but robust tools intended to help community members do their own language documentation. |
| 2009 | Recommendations for the Sipayik Passamaquoddy Language Program.  Advisory report on curricula and pedagogical techniques, based on in-classroom field observation of elementary, middle, and high school Passamaquoddy language teaching. |
| 2009 | Daily life Passamaquoddy; Passamaquoddy commands.  (ed.).  XML/HTML-based multimedia sets (respectively covering daily-use phrases and basic commands) matching audio, image, and transcription/translation/annotation for elementary-level and adult learners.  Edited and adapted for community use from the original student/consultant collaboration final projects of the summer 2009 *LIN315: Field Methods* course. |
| 2009 | Obispeño pronunciation.  XML/HTML-based multimedia guide to specific aspects of Obispeño Chumash phonology that are difficult for English-based heritage learners. |
| 2009 | Student guide to YouTube-posted Passamaquoddy-language video-clips.  XML/HTMLbased, high-school-level pedagogical presentation of selected Passamaquoddy-language materials posted at *www.youtube.com/user/watchingplace.* |
| 2008 | Collected Penobscot texts.  Draft XML database (with XSL stylesheets) of annotated IGTs of seven Penobscot sound recordings, a full rephonemicization of Speck 1918's *Penobscot Transformer Tales*, and several smaller texts. |
| 2007 | Learning Passamaquoddy.  XML/HTML-based set of multimedia lessons covering basic Passamaquoddy phonology, essential daily-use expressions, and introductory-level morphosyntactic patterns. |
| 2006 | Formosan historical lexicographic field notes.  Backslash-coded databases from May-June 2006 field research project on three endangered Formosan languages, supported by Academia Sinica and Cornell University, and led by Dr. John U. Wolff (Cornell). |
| 2004 | Daily Penobscot.  Audio CD and manual covering basic Penobscot phonology, essential daily-use expressions, and introductory-level morphosyntactic patterns. |
| 2003 | Penobscot and Passamaquoddy-Maliseet language tools: reference-study guide.  Condensed reference and study guide to core areas of orthography, phonology, and (morpho-)syntax. |
| 2003 | Susie Dana master cards.  Database transcribing and annotating 1000+ previously untranscribed recordings of Penobscot phrases made in the 1970s. |
| 2002 | Penobscot materials inventory.  Comprehensive bibliographic database of materials in and on Penobscot and related languages. |
| 2002 | Learning Penobscot.  7-chapter introductory textbook. |

## Languages:

Advanced fluency (spoken/written) in Mandarin Chinese (HSK 8) and Indonesian.
Comfortable conversational fluency in Passamaquoddy-Maliseet, White Hmong, Irish, and Sundanese.
Translation and spoken/written competence in Penobscot (Eastern Abenaki).
Spoken/written competence in Modern Standard Arabic and colloquial Omani Arabic.
Substantial working experience in: Mi'gmaq, Western and Bécancour Abenaki, Somali, Classical Mongolian, Old Irish, Gipuzkoan Basque, Kumzari, Omani Baluchi, Thai, Bulgarian, and French.

## Selected Conference Papers/Talks Given:

-Listuguj Mi'gmaq: variation and distinctive dialectal features.  44th Algonquian Conference, University of Chicago, 21-24 Oct. 2010.
-Books are too high-tech...try a DVD instead: rethinking production priorities for maximal accessibility in documentation and revitalization.  2nd International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation, University of Hawai'i: Manoa, 11-13 Feb. 2011.
-A preliminary survey of the evidential and information-structural properties of some Algonquian discourse particles.  42nd Algonquian Conference, Memorial University, St. John's, Newfoundland, 21-24 Oct. 2010.
-Incorporated verbal classifiers in a predictive typology of noun incorporation.  2010 Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, 7-10 Jan. 2010.  Also: 14th Workshop on Structure and Constituency of the Languages of the Americas, Purdue Univ., 3-5 Apr. 2009.
-Towards a model of maximal accessibility in linguistic documentation work.  2nd Conference on Language Documentation & Linguistic Theory 2, ELDP/SOAS, 13-14 November 2009.
-Simple long-term digital integration of Penobscot/E. Abenaki materials.  5th Conference on the Endangered Languages and Cultures of Native America, University of Utah, 27-29 Mar. 2009.  Also: 40th Algonquian Conference, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, 23-26 Oct. 2008.
-Semantic packaging and the Manner/Means constraint on Algonquian verbal stem structure.  2009 Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, 8-11 Jan. 2009.  Also: Harvard Theory Group, Harvard University, 10 March 2008; 81st Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Hilton Anaheim Hotel, 4-7 Jan. 2007, Anaheim, CA.; 38th Algonquian Conference, UBC, Vancouver, B.C., 26-29 Oct. 2006).
-Medials in the Northeast.  40th Algonquian Conference, Univ. of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, 23-26 Oct. 2008.
-Applicative and antipassive: Algonquian transitive "stem-agreement" as differential object marking.  Ling-Lunch, MIT Dept. of Linguistics and Philosophy, Cambridge, MA, 10 March 2008.
-The Eastern Algonquian Subordinative as event-argument dependency.  39th Algonquian Conference, York University, Toronto, Ontario, 18-21 Oct. 2007.
-Algonquian grammar without all the grammar.  Revitalizing Algonquian Languages Conference, Mashantucket Pequot Museum & Research Center, Mashantucket, CT, 22-24 Feb. 2006.
-Pronominal features and referential dependency.  Harvard Theory Group, Harvard University, 13 Feb. 2006.
-Transitivity and event structure in Algonquian.  80th Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM, 5-8 Jan. 2006.  Also: 37th Algonquian Conference, Carleton University MCC/CMC, Ottawa, Canada, 21-23 Oct. 2005.
-Finiteness revisited: Mood marking a [+ Independent] feature at C. (with G. Aygen).  79th Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, 6-8 Jan. 2005.
-De-exoticizing obviation.  36th Algonquian Conference, UW-Madison, Madison, WI, 28-31 Oct. 2004.
-Head parameterization at the multiclausal level.  2nd Workshop in Altaic Formal Linguistics, Boğazici University, Istanbul, Turkey, 11-13 Oct. 2004.
-Obliquehood and argument prominence in Penobscot.  2004 Society for the Study of the Indigenous

Languages of the Americas Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, 8-11 Jan. 2004.
-Absentativity in Penobscot.  35th Algonquian Conference, University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, 23-26 Oct. 2003.
-Variation in Penobscot.  34th Algonquian Conference, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, 24-27 Oct. 2002.
-Penobscot TA theme signs as abstract finals.  33rd Algonquian Conference, UC-Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, 25-28 Oct. 2001.

## Selected Invited Talks:

-Hacking language learning.  TEDxDirigo, Bates College, Lewiston, Maine, USA, 20 Oct. 2012.
*http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6a6vVIdQBd0*
-Deriving pronominal feature structures through asymmetrical dependencies: obviation, inverse, and antihierarchy effects in Algonquian languages.  Algonquian Reading Group, Dept. of Linguistics, McGill University, 22 Mar. 2012
- Applicative and antipassive: Algonquian transitive "stem-agreement" as differential object marking.  Ling-Tea, Dept. of Linguistics, McGill University, 21 Mar. 2012; (also 87st Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Boston Marriott, 3-6 Jan. 2013, Boston, MA)
-Contrastive analysis for non-Arabic-speaking teachers: the basics that you need to know to help your students.  University of Nizwa Faculty Seminar, 14 Dec. 2010.
-Referential-access dependency in Penobscot.  UMass-Amherst Dept. of Linguistics, 1 Oct. 2008.
-Indigenous languages of Maine: endangerment and documentation.  College of the Atlantic Dept. of Educational and Human Studies, Bar Harbor, Maine, USA, 12 May 2008.