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Research Interests

Language acquisition, conceptual development, lexical semantics/event structure, syntax, discourse structure, psycho-/neurolinguistics, language modeling

Education

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Ph.D. Candidate in Psychology (9/14–)

A.M. in Psychology (5/16)

Advisor: Jesse Snedeker

New York University, New York, NY

M.A. in Linguistics (5/14)

Advisor: Liina Pylkkänen

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

A.B. *cum laude* in German, Linguistics minor (5/11)

Advisor: Adele Goldberg

Thesis: **Generalization and productivity in morphological paradigm gaps: Varying competition and type frequency**

Publications

Ziegler, J., & Snedeker, J. (submitted). **How broad are thematic roles? Evidence from structural priming.**

Ziegler, J., Snedeker, J., & Wittenberg, E. (to appear). **Priming is swell, but it's far from simple** (commentary on Branigan & Pickering's "An experimental approach to linguistic representation"). *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*.

Ziegler, J., & Pylkkänen, L. (2016). **Scalar adjectives and the temporal unfolding of semantic composition: An MEG investigation.** *Neuropsychologia*, 89, 161-171.

Presentations

Ziegler, J., & Snedeker, J. (2017). **Differential effects of working memory load on structural priming for syntax vs. semantics.** *Workshop on the Relationship between Executive Functions and Language Processing*, Cambridge, MA.

Paul, P., **Ziegler, J.**, & Snedeker, J. (2016). **Online comprehension of subject- vs. object-only in English-speaking children.** *Workshop on the Role of Pragmatic Factors in Child Language Processing*, Berlin, Germany.

Posters

Ziegler, J., Kocab, A., & Snedeker, J. (2017). **The effect of population size on intergenerational language convergence: An artificial language learning paradigm.** *42nd Boston University Conference on Language Development*, Boston, MA.

Ziegler, J., Snedeker, J., & Wittenberg, E. (2017). **Different paths from structure to event construal in idiomatic, semi-idiomatic, and fully transparent expressions.** *30th Annual Meeting of the CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing*, Cambridge, MA.

Paul, P., **Ziegler, J.**, & Snedeker, J. (2017). **Evidence for incremental processing of only-sentences in adults as well as children.** *30th Annual Meeting of the CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing*, Cambridge, MA.

Ziegler, J., & Snedeker, J. (2016). **Structural priming across development: The lexical boost, abstract priming, and task demands.** *41st Boston University Conference on Language Development*, Boston, MA.

Ziegler, J., & Snedeker, J. (2016). **On the psychological reality of linguistic event structures.** *38th*

Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society, Philadelphia, PA.

Ziegler, J., & Snedeker, J. (2016). *Structural priming across the lifespan.* 9th *International Workshop on Language Production, San Diego, CA.*

Ziegler, J., & Snedeker, J. (2016). *Toward a comprehensive view of structural priming: What gets primed when.* 29th *Annual Meeting of the CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Gainesville, FL.*

Ziegler, J. (2014). *Copy-raising and Phase Theory: Finite complementizers look like they're defective, too.* 88th *Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Minneapolis, MN.*

Ziegler, J., & Veselinović, D. (2014). *Most set-building is heterogeneous: A relook at verification strategies.* 88th *Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Minneapolis, MN.*

Grants/ Fellowships/ Awards

Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard Bok Center for Teaching and Learning (9/17)
Pershing Square Fund Grant (\$5000), Harvard Foundations of Human Behavior Initiative (5/17)
Research Grant (\$2700), Harvard Institute for Quantitative Social Science (4/17)
Norman Henry Anderson Graduate Psychology Fund Grant (\$3500, \$3500), Harvard GSAS (11/15, 11/16)
Elsie Hopestill Stimson Fund Travel Grant (\$500, \$500), Harvard Psychology (2/16, 6/16)
Conference Travel Grant (\$600), Harvard Institute for Quantitative Social Science (5/16)
Elsie Hopestill Stimson Fund Research Grant (\$1000), Harvard Psychology (11/14)
Dean's Student Travel Grant (\$500), NYU GSAS (11/13)
Conference Fund Grant (\$500), NYU Student Senators Council (11/13)
Henry H. MacCracken Fellowship, NYU GSAS (9/12–5/14)
Mary Cunningham Humphreys Junior German Prize, Princeton German (12/10)
Fred Fox Class of 1939 Fund Grant (\$1500, \$1000), Princeton Office of Religious Life (4/09, 12/09)
German Department Book Prize, German Consulate (5/09)
Merit Scholarship Award (\$2500), National Merit Scholarship Corp. (2007)

Invited Talks

Language Learning Lab, BC Psychology, 11/17/17
Language Lab (TedLab), MIT BCS, 10/23/17
Center for Research in Language, UCSD, 5/9/17
Cognition, Brain, & Behavior Research Seminar, Harvard Psychology, 3/23/17
Child Language Lab, BU Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences, 12/8/16
Language and Cognition Research Workshop, Harvard Psychology, 2/3/15

Teaching/ Mentorship

Teaching

- Teaching Fellow for Patrick Mair, PSY 1900: Introduction to Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences, Harvard (Fall 2016, Fall 2017)
- Teaching Fellow for Prof. Jesse Snedeker, PSY 16: Developmental Psychology: Psychology of Early Childhood, Harvard (Spring 2017)
- Teaching Assistant for Prof. Anna Szabolcsi, LING-UA 1.001: Language (=undergrad intro to linguistics), NYU (Spring 2014)

Mentorship

- Research Assistants: Sadie Pate, Harvard (9/17–); Miriam Hauptman, Tufts (9/16–); Madison Schmitt, Harvard (9/16–5/17); Jared Hawn, UMass Boston (2/16–5/17); Arthur Grayson III, Harvard Extension (9/15–5/16); Sophie Welsh, Harvard (7/15–12/15); Cara Vincelette, Northeastern U. (2/15–6/15); Jamie Ye, Boston U. (2/15–5/15)
- Summer Interns: Anthony Yacovone, UMass Amherst (6/16–8/16); Brian Leonard, U. of Rochester (6/15–8/15)

Memberships

- Cognitive Science Society
- American Psychological Association (of Graduate Students)

Professional Service

- Ad hoc reviewer: CogSci meeting (2017–), CUNY conference (2017–)
- Co-organizer (w/ Dorothy Ahn, Yujing Huang, Melissa Kline), Language and Cognition Research Workshop, Harvard (8/16–)
- Co-organizer (w/ Annemarie Kocab), Syntactic Categories (SynCat) Reading Group, Harvard (6/16–8/16)
- Organizer, Events in Language (EviL) Reading Group, Harvard (1/16–5/16)
- Webmaster/co-organizer, Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 24, NYU (6/13–5/14)
- President, Linguistics Association of New York University, NYU (5/13–5/14)