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EDUCATION

- 2014 PhD in Linguistics, Department of Linguistics, Rutgers University (awarded in October)
Dissertation: *Sluicing and Identity in Ellipsis*
Committee: Veneeta Dayal and Ken Safir (co-chairs), Mark Baker, Jason Merchant
- 2008 M.A. in Linguistics, University of California Santa Cruz
- 2006 B.A. in Linguistics, University of California Santa Cruz

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2024 Excellence in Teaching in Social Sciences Award, Washington University College of Arts and Sciences
- 2013 Rutgers Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, Rutgers Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
- 2012 Conference Travel Grant (to the 48th meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society), Rutgers Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
- 2008–2010 Rutgers University Graduate School Fellowship for Study in Linguistics

EMPLOYMENT

- Fall 2024–
Present Full-time Senior Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy at Washington University in St. Louis (three courses per semester).
- Fall 2018–
Spring 2024 Full-time Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy at Washington University in St. Louis (three courses per semester).
- Fall 2017–
Spring 2018 Full-time Lecturer in the Department of Linguistics at Yale (two courses per semester).
- Fall 2015–
Spring 2017 Postdoctoral Associate at the Department of Linguistics at Yale (one seminar per year).
- Fall 2014–
Spring 2015 Part-time Lecturer at Rutgers University (two courses per semester).

- Fall 2014 Data entry specialist for the African Anaphora Project (NSF). Principle Investigator: Professor Ken Safir, Rutgers University.
- 2011–2012 Research Assistant and Assistant Director on the African Anaphora Project (NSF). Principle Investigator: Professor Ken Safir, Rutgers University.
- 2009–2012 Data entry specialist for the African Anaphora Project (NSF). Principle Investigator: Professor Ken Safir, Rutgers University.
- Spring 2009 Disability Note-Taker for the Office of Disability Services, Rutgers University.

PUBLICATIONS

(* = CO-FIRST AUTHORS)

- 2022 Barros, Matthew*, and Robert Frank*. “Attention and Locality: On Clause-Boundedness and Its Exceptions in Multiple Sluicing.” *Linguistic Inquiry* 54 (4): 649–684.
- 2021 Vicente, Luis*, Matthew Barros*, Troy Messick*, and Andrés Saab*. “On a Non-argument for Cleft Sources in Sluicing.” *Linguistic Inquiry* 52 (4): 867–880.
- 2020 Wood, Jim, Matthew Barros, and Einar Freyr Sigurðsson. “Case Mismatching in Icelandic Clausal Ellipsis.” *Journal of Linguistics* 56 (2), 399–439.
- 2019 Barros, Matthew* and Hadas Kotek*. “Ellipsis Licensing and Redundancy Reduction: A focus-based approach.” *Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics* 4 (1)
- 2018 Kotek, Hadas* and Matthew Barros*. “Multiple sluicing, scope, and superiority: Consequences for ellipsis identity.” *Linguistic Inquiry* 49 (4): 781–812.
- 2016 Wood, Jim, and Matthew Barros and Einar Sigurthson. “Clausal ellipsis and case (mis)matching in Icelandic.” *Working Papers in Scandinavian Syntax* 96.
- 2016 Barros, Matthew*, and Luis Vicente*. “A Remnant Condition on Ellipsis.” *Proceedings of WCCFL* 33.
- 2015 Barros, Matthew. “A note on the importance of the syntax/phonology interface.” In *Short ’schrift for Alan Prince*, compiled by Eric Baković. <https://princeshortschrift.wordpress.com/squibs/barros/>.
- 2013 Barros, Matthew. “Harmonic Sluicing: which remnant/correlate pairs work and why?” In Todd Snider (ed), *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 23*. 295–315. Ithaca NY: Cornell University.
- Barros, Matthew*, Patrick Elliott*, and Gary Thoms*. “More variation in Island Repair: Clausal vs. Non-clausal islands.” *Proceedings of CLS* 49.
- 2012 Barros, Matthew. “Sluiced Fragments: Another puzzle involving ellipsis and islands.” In Donati, Caterina and Orin Percus (eds), *Snippets* 25. 5–6.
- Barros, Matthew. “A non-repair approach to island sensitivity in contrastive TP ellipsis.” *Proceedings of CLS* 48.
- 2011 Barros, Matthew* and Luis Vicente*. “Right Node Raising Requires both Ellipsis and Multidomination.” In *University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics*. Vol. 17: Issue 1, Article 2.
- 2010 Barros, Matthew. “Sluicing and the Brazilian Portuguese Null Copula.” In Staroverov, Peter and Daniel Altshuler, Aaron Braver, Carlos Fasola, and Sarah Murray (eds), *Rutgers Working in Papers in Linguistics*. Vol. 3. 64–91. New Brunswick, NJ: LGSA.

- 2023 With Gary Thoms*. “Dependent Tag Questions as a Measure of Ellipsis Mismatch.” Presented at Tsuda University (Kodaira Campus, Japan), September 3rd.
- 2019 With Robert Frank*. “Attention and locality: On clause-boundedness and its exceptions in multiple sluicing.” Presented at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, October 11th.
- 2019 With Hadas Kotek*. “Semantic Identity in ellipsis and deaccenting: a unified account.” Presented at Sluicing+ at 50, held at the University of Chicago, Spring.
- 2019 With Hadas Kotek*. “Semantic Identity Under Discussion.” Keynote presented at RUL-ing XIV at Rutgers University, May 4th.
- 2017 With Hadas Kotek*. “Which QuD?” Presented at George Mason University, October 19.
- 2017 With Robert Frank*. “Paying attention to Phases: on the Clause-mate Constraint on Multiple Sluicing.” Presented at the Morphology and Syntax Workshop in the Department of Linguistics at the University of Chicago, May 12.
- 2017 With Troy Messick*, Andrés Saab*, and Luis Vicente*. “Contextual Restrictions in Sluicing.” Presented at Multiple Questions about Sluicing, a workshop at Yale in April.
- 2017 With Robert Frank*. “The Clause-Mate Constraint on Multiple Sluicing: Implications for Phasehood.” Presented at Multiple Questions about Sluicing, a workshop at Yale in April.
- 2017 With Hadas Kotek*. “Scope Restrictions on Multiple Sluicing: Implications for the identity condition on ellipsis.” Presented at Multiple Questions about Sluicing, a workshop at Yale in April.
- 2016 With Robert Frank*. “Discourse domains and syntactic phases: a constraint on long-distance multiple sluicing.” (with Robert Frank) Presented at Syntax Brown BAG, New York University, December.
- 2016 “Sluicing and Ellipsis Identity.” Presented at LingLangLunch, Brown University, April.
- 2015 “Sluicing and Identity in Ellipsis.” Presented at Yale Friday Lunch Talks, October.
- 2014 “Saying things without words — the silent structure of ellipsis.” Talk presented at the 2014 Rutgers Center for Cognitive Science Interdisciplinary Workshop.
- 2013 “Antecedent Correlate–Harmony Effects in Sluicing.” Presented at CUNY Syntax Supper, March.
- 2010 “Right Node Raising: An Eclectic Analysis” (with Luis Vicente). Presented at CUNY Syntax Supper, October.
- “A hybrid theory of Right Node Raising” (with Luis Vicente). Presented at Syntaxkolloquium, ZAS Berlin, Germany, February.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND
POSTERS

(* = CO-FIRST AUTHORS)

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- 2019 Barros, Matthew*, and Hadas Kotek*. “Some Issues with Sluicing as Anaphora to Issues.” Talk accepted at the LSA annual meeting 2019, January.
- 2018 Barros, Matthew*, and Hadas Kotek*. “Some Issues with Sluicing as Anaphora to Issues” Presented at WCCFL 36, UCLA, April.
- 2018 Barros, Matthew*, and Hadas Kotek*. “Which QuD?” Presented at GLOW 41 in Budapest, April.
- 2017 Barros, Matthew*, and Hadas Kotek*. “Ellipsis Licensing in Sluicing, a QuD account.” Presented at the 53rd meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society on May 27th.
- 2017 Barros, Matthew*, and Robert Frank*. “A Constraint on Long Distance Multiple Sluicing.” Poster presented at the 40th meeting of GLOW in Leiden, Netherlands.
- 2017 Barros, Matthew*, and Hadas Kotek*. “Scope Restrictions in Multiple Sluicing and Ellipsis Licensing.” Poster presented at the 40th meeting of GLOW in Leiden, Netherlands.
- 2017 Barros, Matthew*, and Robert Frank*. “Shifty Subjects and Clause Mate Restrictions.” Talk presented at the 91st annual meeting of the LSA in Austin, TX.
- 2016 Barros, Matthew*, and David Kush*. “Case matching under Sluicing in Hindi.” Poster presented at FASAL 6, UMass, Amherst, March.
- 2015 Barros, Matthew*, and Luis Vicente*. “A Remnant Condition on Ellipsis.” Talk presented at the 33rd meeting of the West Coast Conference in Formal Linguistics (WCCFL 33), Simon Fraser University, March.
- 2014 Barros, Matthew. “Specification Subjects and Constraints on Pivots.” Talk presented at RULing IX, Rutgers University.
- 2013 Barros, Matthew*, Patrick Elliott* and Gary Thoms*. “Island evasion explains variability in island repair.” Talk presented at the Manchester Forum in Linguistics (MFIL), University of Manchester, November
- Barros, Matthew*, Patrick Elliott* and Gary Thoms*. “Island evasion explains variability in island repair.” Talk presented at the Edinburgh Ellipsis Workshop, University of Edinburgh, May
- Barros, Matthew. “Harmonic Sluicing.” Talk presented at Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 23, University of California at Santa Cruz, May
- Barros, Matthew*, Patrick Elliott*, and Gary Thoms*. “More variation in island repair: the clausal/non-clausal distinction.” Talk presented at Chicago Linguistic Society (CLS) 49, University of Chicago, April
- Barros, Matthew* and Jeroen van Craenenbroeck*. “Tag questions and ellipsis.” Talk presented at Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft (DGfS), Theme Session: Parenthesis and Ellipsis: Cross-Linguistic and Theoretical Perspectives, March

- 2012 Barros, Matthew. “Else–modification as a diagnostic for pseudosluicing. Poster presented at North East Linguistic Society (NELS) 43, City University of New York, October
- Barros, Matthew. “Marooned in Silence: Arguments against Island Repair in Ellipsis.” Talk presented at Chicago Linguistic Society (CLS) 48, University of Chicago, April
- Barros, Matthew. “Marooned in Silence: Arguments against Island Repair in Ellipsis.” Talk presented at RULing VII, Rutgers University
- Barros, Matthew. “‘What’ questions as a window into N–meanings.” Poster presented at Mid–Atlantic Colloquium of Studies in Meaning (MACSIM) 2, University of Maryland, February
- 2011 Barros, Matthew. “Something else about exceptives.” Talk presented at RULing VI, Rutgers University.
- 2010 Barros, Matthew* and Luis Vicente*. “Pronominal reference in multidomination structures.” Talk presented at the workshop on Peculiar Binding Configurations, University of Stuttgart, Germany, September
- Barros, Matthew* and Luis Vicente*. “Right Node Raising requires both ellipsis and multidominance.” Talk presented at Penn Linguistics Colloquium (PLC) 34, University of Pennsylvania, March
- 2009 Barros, Matthew. “Sluicing and the distribution of the Brazilian Portuguese null copula.” Talk presented at the Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE) XVIII, December
- Barros, Matthew. “Co–construal and identity in ellipsis.” Talk presented at RULing IV, Rutgers University
- 2008 Barros, Matthew. “Verbless Questions in Brazilian Portuguese.” Talk presented at Syntactic Theory at Rutgers (ST@R), Rutgers University
- Barros, Matthew. “Verbless Questions in Brazilian Portuguese.” Talk presented at Linguistics at Santa Cruz (LASC), Department of Linguistics, University of California at Santa Cruz

TEACHING

- Spring 2024 Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics (2 sections). Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis
- Spring 2024 Linguistics 311, Introduction to Semantics. Status: Instructor, Washington University in St. Louis
- Fall 2023 Linguistics 315, Morphology. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
- Fall 2023 Linguistics 309, Syntactic Analysis. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
- Fall 2023 Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.

Spring 2023	Linguistics 311, Semantics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Spring 2023	Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Spring 2023	Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Fall 2022	Linguistics 340, Linguistic Pragmatics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Fall 2022	Linguistics 309, Syntactic Analysis. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Fall 2022	Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Spring 2022	Linguistics 315, Morphology. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Spring 2022	Linguistics 311, Introduction to Semantics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Spring 2022	Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Fall 2021	Linguistics 309, Linguistic Pragmatics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Fall 2021	Linguistics 309, Syntactic Analysis. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Fall 2021	Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Summer 2021	Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Spring 2021	Linguistics 478, Senior Seminar on Linguistic Minimalism. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Spring 2021	Linguistics 311, Introduction to Semantics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Spring 2021	Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
Fall 2020	Linguistics 315, Morphology. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.
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Fall 2019 Linguistics 309, Linguistic Pragmatics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.

Fall 2019 Linguistics 309, Syntactic Analysis. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.

Fall 2019 Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.

Summer 2019 Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.

Spring 2019 Linguistics 311, Introduction to Semantics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.

Spring 2019 Linguistics 495, Senior Seminar in Linguistics: Language in Context. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.

Spring 2019 Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.

Fall 2018 Linguistics 170D, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis. Two sections.

Fall 2018 Linguistics 309, Syntactic Analysis. Status: Instructor. Washington University in St. Louis.

Spring 2018 Linguistics 106, Illusions of Language. Status: Instructor. Yale University.

 Linguistics 272/672, Formal Pragmatics. Status: Instructor. Yale University.

Fall 2017 Linguistics 110, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Co-instructor (with Jim Wood). Yale University.

 Linguistics 263/663, Semantics 1 (Graduate/Undergraduate). Status: Instructor. Yale University.

Spring 2017 Linguistics 376, Graduate Seminar on information structure and the syntax-phonology interface. Status: Instructor. Yale University.

Fall 2015 Linguistics 376, Graduate Seminar on Ellipsis. Status: Instructor. Yale University

Spring 2015 Linguistics 350, Pragmatics (Undergraduate). Status: Instructor. Rutgers University
 Linguistics 325, Semantics (Undergraduate). Status: Instructor. Rutgers University

Fall 2014 Honors Linguistics 201, Introduction to Linguistic Theory. Status: Instructor. Rutgers University
 Linguistics 101, Introduction to the Study of Language. Status: Instructor. Rutgers University

Fall 2013 Linguistics 305, Syntax. Status: lecturer for Professor Jane Grimshaw's undergraduate syntax class for two weeks. Responsibilities included: designing classes, assignments and lecture, and grading.

Spring 2013 Linguistics 101, Introduction to the Study of Language. Status: Instructor. Rutgers University.

Fall 2012 Honors Linguistics 101, Introduction to the Study of Language. Status: Instructor. Rutgers University.

Summer 2011 Linguistics 101, Introduction to the Study of Language. Status: Instructor. Rutgers University.

Spring 2011 Linguistics 201, Introduction to Linguistic Theory. Status: Teaching Assistant. Two weekly recitations. Instructor: Paul DeLacy. Rutgers University.

Fall 2010 Linguistics 201, Introduction to Linguistic Theory. Status: Teaching Assistant. Two weekly recitations. Instructor: Paul DeLacy. Rutgers University.

Summer 2010 Linguistics 201, Introduction to Linguistic Theory. Status: Instructor. Rutgers University.

Spring 2008 Linguistics 80C, Language, Society, and Culture. Status: Teaching Assistant. One weekly section. Instructor: James McCloskey. University of California at Santa Cruz.

Winter 2008 Linguistics 50, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Teaching Assistant. Two weekly sections. Instructor: James Isaacs. University of California at Santa Cruz.

Fall 2007 Linguistics 50, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Teaching Assistant. Two weekly sections. Instructor: Armin Mester. University of California at Santa Cruz

Spring 2007 Linguistics 181, Structure of Romance Languages. Status: Teaching Assistant. One weekly section. Instructor: Judith Aissen. University of California at Santa Cruz.

Winter 2007 Linguistics 20, Introduction to Linguistics. Status: Teaching Assistant. Two weekly sections. Instructor: Adrian Brasoveanu. University of California at Santa Cruz.

Fall 2006 History 67A, Medieval Europe. Status: Teaching Assistant. Two weekly sections. Instructor: Cynthia Polecritti. University of California at Santa Cruz.

SERVICE

UNDERGRADUATE HONORS THESIS COMMITTEES SERVED

Christopher Russell: “*(Mis)construing the Constitution*” (Role: **Chair**, Completed Spring 2023)

Grace Teuscher: “*The Would-Chuck Construction*” (Role: **Chair**, Completed Spring 2023)

Jacob Duggan: “*Why WUTSL? A Grammar for Wh-Movement and a Computational Tool for Tier-based Strictly Local Syntax*” (Role: **Second Advisor**, Completed Spring 2023)

John Pruett III: “*Initial Consonant Mutations in Irish Gaelic: An Optimality Theory Analysis*” (Role: **Second Advisor**, Completed Spring 2021)

Rebecca Andersen: “*Evaluating the Validity of Natural Language Processing Methods: A Study of Syntactic Object Elision in Basque-Native Spanish Bilingual Speakers*.” (Role: **Second Advisor**, Completed Spring 2020)

Jennifer McLish: “*A Generative Approach to Oscan Syntax: Towards an Analysis of the Conditional Construction*.” https://openscholarship.wustl.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1023&context=undergrad_etd (Role: **Chair**, Completed Spring 2020)

Sophie Elliott: “*The Ethics of the Codification of Selective International Aid: A Critical Discourse Analysis of Jordanian Refugee Policy*” (Role: **Second Advisor**, Completed Spring 2019)

Lexi Slome: “*Idioms on the Move: A Look at Variation in the Syntactic Mobility of Idioms*.” (Role: **Second Advisor**, Completed Spring 2019)

Fall 2022–ongoing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee member for the Philosophy Department at Washington University in St. Louis

Summer 2021–Fall 2023 Interim Ombuds Committee Member for the Linguistic Society of America

Fall 2019–ongoing Academic Advisor for the Undergraduate Linguistics Club at Washington University in St. Louis.

Fall 2018–ongoing Academic Advisor for the Linguistics Program at Washington University in St. Louis.

Spring 2016–Spring 2018 Member of Yale Linguistics Department Diversity Initiative Committee

Fall 2015–Spring 2018 Member of the Linguistic Society of America

Co-organizer for Yale Syntax Reading Group

Member of the Yale Grammatical Diversity Project Research Team

Fall 2015	Co-organizer for Hornucopia, a workshop in honor of Laurence Horn.
Spring 2012– Spring 2013	Co-organizer for Rutgers Semantics Research Group, Rutgers Linguistics Department (with Mingming Liu)
Fall 2011– Fall 2012	Co-organizer for Syntactic Theory at Rutgers (ST@R), a syntax reading group, Rutgers Linguistics Department (with Mingming Liu)
Spring 2011	Conference Committee member for Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 21, Rutgers University
Spring 2011	Co-organizer for RULing VI, the annual departmental conference featuring Rutgers Linguistics graduate student research (with Vera Dvorak)
Fall 2010– Spring 2011	Organizer for Syntactic Theory at Rutgers (ST@R), a syntax reading group, Rutgers University
Fall 2009– Spring 2010	Colloquium Committee member for the Department of Linguistics, Rutgers (with Peter Staroverov)
Fall 2008– Spring 2009	Secretary for the Linguistics Graduate Student Association (LGSA), Department of Linguistics, Rutgers
2007–2008	Colloquium Committee for the Department of Linguistics at Santa Cruz

LANGUAGES

American English, Native
Brazilian Portuguese, Native
Spanish, Reading knowledge
French, Reading knowledge