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EDUCATION

- 2011 – 2016 PhD in Cognitive Science, Johns Hopkins University
Dissertation: *Active dependency completion in adults and children: Representations and adaptation*
Advisor: Akira Omaki
- 2013 Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Summer Institute, University of Michigan
- 2008 – 2010 Master of Science in General Linguistics, Georgetown University
Advisor: Donna Lardierre
- 2005 – 2009 Bachelor of Arts with Honors in Psychology, Georgetown University
Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Second major in Linguistics
Advisor on Honors Project: Rachel Barr

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Psycholinguistics – syntactic predictions; filler-gap dependencies; priming as a learning mechanism; interaction of grammatical constraints on processing

First Language Acquisition – parser development; acquisition of syntax

Syntax – island constraints; *wh*-dependencies; agreement

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- 2016 **Atkinson, E.**, Apple, A., Rawlins, K., & Omaki, A. Similarity of *wh*-phrases and acceptability variation in *wh*-islands. *Frontiers in Psychology: Language Sciences*, 6:2048. Doi:10.3389/fpsyg.2015.02048.
- 2010 Barr, R., Shuck, L., Salerno, K., **Atkinson, E.**, & Linebarger, D. Music interferes with learning from television during infancy. *Infant and Child Development*, 19, 313-331.

Refereed Proceedings

- 2015 **Atkinson, E.** Gender features on *n* and the root: An account of gender in French. In J. Smith & T. Ihsane (Eds.), *Romance Linguistics 2012: Selected papers from the 42nd Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL), Cedar City, Utah, 20-22 April 2012*, Amsterdam: John Benjamins.

In Preparation

- Atkinson, E.**, Wagers, M., Lidz, J., Phillips, C., & Omaki, A. Developing incrementality in filler-gap dependency processing.
- Atkinson, E.**, Omaki, A., & Wilson, C. Gamma function modeling of Visual World eye-tracking data.
- Atkinson, E.**, Lai, M., & Omaki, A. Adaptation of gap predictions in filler-gap dependency processing.
- Atkinson, E.**, Lai, M., & Omaki, A. Production and comprehension priming of active gap filling in 5-year-olds.

PRESENTATIONS & POSTERS

- 2016 **Atkinson, E.** & Omaki, A. (November 5). *Prepositional object gap production primes active gap filling in 5-year-olds*. Presentation at the Boston University Conference on Language Development. Boston University; Boston, MA.
- 2016 **Atkinson, E.** & Omaki, A. (March 3). *Adaptation of gap predictions in filler-gap dependency processing*. Poster presented at the 29th CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing. University of Florida; Gainesville, FL.
- 2016 **Atkinson, E.** & Omaki, A. (January 9). *Immature filler-gap dependency processing in 5- to 7-year-olds*. Paper presented at the 90th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America. Washington, DC.
- 2014 **Atkinson, E.**, Reisinger, D., & Omaki, A. (November 14). *Do small clause predicates ameliorate island violations?* Poster presented at Gradient Symbolic Computation Workshop. Johns Hopkins University; Baltimore, MD.
- 2014 **Atkinson, E.**, Omaki, A., & Wilson, C. (September 6). *Gamma function modelling of visual world eye-tracking data*. Poster presented at the 20th AMLaP conference. Edinburgh, UK.
- 2014 **Atkinson, E.** & Omaki, A. (September 6). *Grammatical faithfulness in processing of multiple dependencies?* Poster presented at the 20th AMLaP conference. Edinburgh, UK.
- 2013 **Atkinson, E.**, Apple, A., Rawlins, K., & Omaki, A. (October 19). *Wh-island amelioration at the interfaces: Syntax, processing, and semantic distinctness*. Paper presented at NELS 44. University of Connecticut; Storrs, CT.
- 2013 **Atkinson, E.**, Simeon, K., & Omaki, A. (March 23). *The time course of filler-gap dependency processing in the developing parser*. Poster presented at the 26th CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing. Columbia, SC.
- 2012 **Atkinson, E.** (April 21). *Gender features on n and the root: An account of gender in French*. Paper presented at the 42nd Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL). Southern Utah University; Cedar City, UT.
- 2011 Brito, N., Barr, R., McIntyre, P., **Atkinson, E.**, Dougherty, D., & Simcock, G. (March 31). *Long-term retention and reactivation of forgotten memories from books during toddlerhood*. Paper presented as part of “Learning from picture books: from infancy to early school days” symposium at the biennial meeting of SRCDC. Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
- 2009 **Atkinson, E.**, Salerno, K., Barr, R., & Linebarger, D. (March 6). *Examining how music interferes with imitation: Contrasting cognitive load with selective attention*. Poster presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association (EPA). Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2008 Barr, R., Shuck, L., Salerno, K., **Atkinson, E.**, Linebarger, D., & Miller, N. (March 27). *Background music interferes with televised and live demonstrations during infancy*. Poster presented at the 16th Biennial ICIS. Vancouver, BC, Canada.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2016 Johns Hopkins Summer Teaching Institute
Sponsored by the Center for the Integration of Research, Teaching and Learning (CIRTL)

HONORS & HONOR SOCIETIES (induction dates)

- 2014 – 2015 G. Heberton Evans Jr. Graduate Fellowship
2013 Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute Tuition Fellowship
2008 Psi Chi (National Psychology Honors Society)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Membership in Professional Organizations

- 2012 – Linguistic Society of America

Ad hoc Reviewing of Scholarly Works

- Journals First Language; Journal of Psycholinguistic Research

Organizing Conferences and Workshops

- 2014 Gradient Symbolic Computation: The Continuous and Discrete in Sentence Processing, Johns Hopkins University (student organizer)
2013 Mid-Atlantic Colloquium of Studies in Meaning, Johns Hopkins University (student organizer)
2012 Advances in Optimality Theory: Syntax and Semantics, Johns Hopkins University (student organizer)

Other Service

- 2014 – 2016 Member of the JHU Cognitive Science colloquium committee