

HUNTER JOHNSON

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Researcher

Minneapolis, MN & Los Angeles, CA

UCLA & UMN

September 2018 – Present

- develop and implement an original, impactful, and community-oriented research program with indigenous language collaborators of North and Latin America (Guarani, Ojibwe, K'iche', and Pa'itavyterã)
- carefully design and conduct in-depth, one-on-one and group interviews for both in-situ and virtual experimental settings with native speaker collaborators to collect and process +200 hours of recordings containing +5000 tokens of spoken language data
- synthesize, manage, and organize large data sets in a variety of low-resource languages for publication (>7) and presentation (>20) to direct the narrative in theoretical syntax for a novel model of computational heuristics (see publications on my website for details)

Teaching Fellow

Los Angeles, CA

UCLA

September 2021 – Present

- design and implement innovative, learning-oriented teaching materials and curricula for college level linguistics courses, ranging from introductory courses to advanced courses across a variety of topics (8 courses; a full list is available in my academic CV)
- promote a growth-focused classroom experience for all students of diverse backgrounds with diverse learning experiences, achieve outstanding evaluations from students, professors, and coworkers alike

Community (Medical) Interpreter

Minneapolis, MN

ARCH Language Network

June 2018 – September 2021

- facilitate doctor-patient communication between Spanish speakers of various cultural backgrounds and English while maintaining and exceeding professional standards in interpreting

Assistant Project Manager

Minnnetonka, MN

Quadruga Ventures

June 2014 – June 2018

- manage various teams of all types of contractors across ≈ 50 residential construction sites annually in the Twin Cities area
- maintain a clean and organized warehouse sorted with building materials, employee records, vehicle fleet, etc.

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

Ph.D., Linguistics

09/2023 – 06/2026

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

M.A., Linguistics

09/2021 – 06/2023

University of Minnesota

Minneapolis, MN

B.A., Linguistics

09/2018 – 05/2021

Summa cum laude, with High Distinction, Phi Beta Kappa

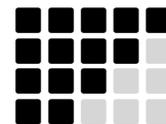
TECHNICAL SKILLS

LaTeX

Haskell

R

Python (PyTorch, TensorFlow)



GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, LEADERSHIP, AND VOLUNTEERING

Research grants and fellowships

Los Angeles, CA

awarded highly competitive grants totalling 67,900\$ including UCLA DYA, GRM, GSRM, etc.

2021–2026

Pokémon Professor

Los Angeles, CA

tournament official, judge, organizer

2025 – present

President of the Graduate Linguistics Council (GLC)

Los Angeles, CA

2023 – 2024

A complete list of publications, presentations, and my academic CV may be found on my website: hunterfjohnson.com