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AREAS OF INTEREST

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| <i>broad</i> | · formal, experimental, and computational modeling approaches to semantics and pragmatics · crosslinguistic semantics |
| <i>narrow</i> | · free choice, positive polarity, and scalarity <i>across categories</i> · numerals, indefinites, disjunction, modals |

EDUCATION

degree programs

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| 2013-2019 | PhD Linguistics, Harvard U Decomposing logic: Modified numerals, polarity, and exhaustification Committee: Gennaro Chierchia (chair), Kathryn Davidson, Anamaria Fălăuș, Roger Schwarzschild |
| 2011-2012 | MA Linguistics, U of Ottawa The Romanian Presumptive Mood: Inferential evidentiality and upper-end degree epistemic modality Advisor: Ana Arregui |
| 2007-2010 | BA Applied Modern Languages English and French, Lucian Blaga U of Sibiu |

other training

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| 4-5, 8-9/02/2021 | Intro to UnixShell/Python/Git (20 hrs), Software Carpentries @ MIT |
| 16-22/06/2012 | North American Summer School of Logic, Language, and Information (NASSLLI), U of Texas at Austin |
| 2010-2011 | Chinese language course, Beijing Language and Culture U |
| Spring 2009 | Erasmus exchange term, Dept of Theoretical and Applied Linguistics, Aristotle U of Thessaloniki |

EMPLOYMENT

academic positions

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| 07/2019-present | Associate of the Department, Dept of Linguistics, Harvard U |
| 01-05/2020 | Linguistics instructor, Harvard Extension School |
| 09/2019-05/2020 | Assistant Head Tutor, Dept of Linguistics, Harvard U |
| 06/2016-05/2018 | Lab manager, Meaning and Modality Lab, Dept of Linguistics, Harvard U (PI: Kathryn Davidson) |
| 09/2015-05/2017 | Teaching Assistant and Tutorial Instructor, Dept of Linguistics, Harvard U |
| 09/2012-08/2013 | Research Assistant, Department of Linguistics, U of Ottawa (PI: María Luisa Rivero) |
| 09/2011-05/2012 | Teaching Assistant, Dept of Linguistics, U of Ottawa |

other positions

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| 05-06/2011 | English as a Second Language (ESL) instructor, The Affiliated High-School of Peking U |
| 2007-2011 | Freelance English-Romanian translator and interpreter |
| 2002-2009 | English as a Second Language (ESL) tutor |

AWARDS AND GRANTS

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| Spring 2019 | Conference travel grant, Harvard Graduate Student Council. \$750. |
| 2018-2019 | Dissertation completion fellowship, Harvard U. \$ 36,472. |
| 2015-2016 | Sosland Family Graduate Fellowship, Harvard U. \$9,435. |
| 2014-2015 | Sosland Family Graduate Fellowship, Harvard U. \$7,924. |
| 2013-2014 | Douglas Dillon Fellowship, Harvard U. \$25,300. |
| 2011-2012 | Differential admission scholarship, U of Ottawa. \$18,450. |
| 2010-2011 | Study abroad scholarship, Confucius Institute Sibiu |
| 2007-2010 | Merit scholarships, Lucian Blaga U of Sibiu |
| Spring 2009 | Study abroad scholarship, Erasmus Mundus |

PAPERS (*= first author or equal contribution)

articles in reviewing cycles at peer-reviewed journals

*under revision
for resubmission* | [Ignorance and polarity sensitivity in the grammar: From disjunction and indefinites to numerals.](#) 45 pp.

articles in abstract-reviewed conference proceedings, and other

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| <i>to appear</i> | Modified numerals and polarity sensitivity: Between O(nly)_{DA} and E(ven)_{SA}. In <i>Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB) 25</i> . |
| <i>to appear</i> | [Teodora Mihoc and Kathryn Davidson.] Superlative-modified numerals and negation: A multiply negotiable cost. In <i>Proceedings of Experiments in Linguistics Meaning (ELM) 1</i> . |
| <i>to appear</i> | [Aurore González* and Teodora Mihoc*.] A neo-Carlsonian approach to bare plural nominals in Romanian and French. In J. Sturm (ed.), <i>Harvard Working Papers in Linguistics</i> 14. |
| 2020 | Ignorance and anti-negativity in the grammar: or/some and modified numerals. In M. Asatryan, Y. Song, and A. Whitmal (eds.), <i>Proceedings of The Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS) 50</i> , pp. 197-210. |
| 2019 | [Teodora Mihoc, Diti Bhadra, and Anamaria Fălăuș.] Epistemic modals, deduction, and factivity: New insights from the epistemic future. In K. Blake, F. Davis, K. Lamp, and J. Rhyne (eds.), <i>Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 29</i> , pp. 351-370. |
| 2014 | The Romanian future-and-presumptive auxiliary. In B. Buccola, M. Hamilton, A. McKillen, and J. Tanner (eds.), <i>McGill Working Papers in Linguistics</i> 24(1), pp. 64-80. |
| 2014 | The Romanian presumptive mood: The key to the Romanian will-future. <i>Cahiers linguistiques d'Ottawa / Ottawa Papers in Linguistics</i> , 38. |

unpublished manuscripts

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| 2017 | [Akshat Agrawal* and Teodora Mihoc*.] Numeral-negation scope endorsement asymmetry: An alternative Rational Speech Act (RSA) model. |
| 2015 | Georgian <i>tu</i> : A <i>ka</i> particle. |

with peer-reviewed abstracts

- upcoming, 2021* Singular, plural, modal. (A)
Poster @ Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL) 51, U of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (online), Apr 29-May 1.
- upcoming, 2021* Aspectual operators and polarity sensitivity. (A)
Talk @ Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW) 44, GLOW Board (online), Apr 5-7.
- 2021 Negative comparison between exactness, ignorance, and evaluativity. (A) (S)
Talk @ Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC) 45, U of Pennsylvania (online), Mar 19-21.
- 2020 Epistemic indefinites, number marking, and certainty. (A) (S)
Talk @ Sensus 1, U of Massachusetts at Amherst (online), Apr 18-19 Sep 26-27.
- 2020 [Teodora Mihoc* and Kathryn Davidson.]
Superlative-modified numerals and negation: A negotiable cost. (A) (S + V)
Talk @ Experiments in Linguistic Meaning (ELM) 1, U of Pennsylvania (online), June 10-12 Sep 16-18.
- 2020 Modified numerals and polarity sensitivity: Between O(nly)_{DA} and E(ven)_{SA}. (A) (S + V)
Talk @ Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB) 25, U College London / Queen Mary U of London (online), Sep 3-5.
- 2019 Ignorance and anti-negativity in the grammar: *or/some* and modified numerals. (A) (S + H)
Talk @ The Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS) 50, MIT, Oct 24-27.
- 2019 [Teodora Mihoc*, Diti Bhadra, and Anamaria Fălăuş.]
Epistemic modals, deduction, and factivity. (A)
Talk @ Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 29, UCLA, May 17-19.
- 2019 Ignorance and polarity sensitivity in modified numerals and beyond. (A) (P)
Poster @ Workshop: The meaning of numerals: cognitive, experimental, and semantic perspectives, ZAS, Berlin, Mar 27-28.
- 2018 The alternatives of bare and modified numerals. (A) (S)
Talk @ Rencontres d'Automne de Linguistique Formelle (RALFe), U of Paris 8 / CNRS, Paris, Dec 6-7.
- 2017 [Teodora Mihoc* and Kathryn Davidson.]
Testing a PPI analysis of superlative-modified numerals. (A) (S)
Talk @ Experimental Pragmatics (XPrag) 7, U of Cologne, June 21-23.
- 2017 [Aurore González* and Teodora Mihoc*.]
Bare nominals in French and Romanian. (H)
Talk @ Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL) 47, U of Delaware, Apr 20-23.

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- upcoming, 2021* TBD
Talk @ Centre de Lingüística Teòrica, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, May 21.
- 2018 Modified numerals between polarity and valence. (S)
Talk @ Laboratoire de Linguistique de Nantes, CNRS/University of Nantes, Dec 3.
- 2018 An extent-based GQT-style unified implicature account of bare and modified numerals. (S)

- Talk @ Institute for Logic, Language, and Computation (ILLC), U of Amsterdam, June 12.
- 2014 The broader epistemic future. (S)
Talk @ Invited symposium: Commitment phenomena through the study of evidential markers in Romance languages, U of Neuchâtel, Sep 5.

other

- 2018 Scope asymmetry, QUDs, and exhaustification. (H)
Talk @ LingedIn, Harvard U, May 4.
- 2017 Decomposing bare and modified numerals.
Talk @ LingedIn, Harvard U, Dec 7.
- 2016 More evidence of heterogeneity in the class of comparative and superlative numeral modifiers.
Talk @ Language and Cognition, Harvard U, Nov 29.
- 2016 More evidence of heterogeneity in the class of comparative and superlative numeral modifiers.
Talk @ Experimental Syntax & Semantics Lab / Language Acquisition Lab, MIT, Oct 18.
- 2016 More evidence of heterogeneity in the class of comparative and superlative numeral modifiers.
Talk @ LingedIn, Harvard U, Sep 30.
- 2016 Confessing ignorance.
Talk @ LingedIn, Harvard U, Apr 20.
- 2015 Romanian bare nominals and Derived Kind Predication.
Talk @ Southern New England Workshop on Semantics (SNEWS), Harvard U, Nov 21.
- 2015 [Teodora Mihoc and Alexander G. Klapheke.]
Two sets of alternatives for numerals.
Talk @ East Coast Graduate Student Workshop (ECO-5), Harvard U, Apr 11.
- 2013 Romanian presumptivity: The future case in point.
Talk @ Southern New England Workshop on Semantics (SNEWS), MIT, Nov 16.
- 2013 The Romanian presumptive mood and the key to the Romanian *will*-future. (S)
Talk @ Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal Workshop on Semantics (TOM) 6, McGill U, Mar 23.

TEACHING

as primary instructor

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|-------------|---|--|
| Spring 2020 | Introduction to Linguistics (syllabus) | (full semester course; Harvard Extension School) |
| Spring 2017 | The semantics and pragmatics of numerals (syllabus) | (half-semester sophomore tutorial; Harvard U) |
| Spring 2016 | Logic in Linguistics (syllabus) | (half-semester sophomore tutorial; Harvard U) |
| Fall 2015 | Inquisitive Semantics (syllabus) | (half-semester junior tutorial; Harvard U) |

as teaching assistant

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| Fall 2017 | Semantic Theory I | (instructor: Kathryn Davidson; Harvard U) |
| Fall 2017 | Language, Structure, and Cognition | (instructor: Kathryn Davidson; Harvard U) |
| Fall 2016 | Language, Structure, and Cognition | (instructor: Kathryn Davidson; Harvard U) |
| Spring 2016 | Language, Structure, and Cognition | (instructor: Kathryn Davidson; Harvard U) |
| Fall 2015 | Syntactic Theory I | (instructor: C.-T. James Huang; Harvard U) |

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| Winter 2012 | Writing Systems | (instructor: Marie-Claude Séguin; U of Ottawa) |
| Winter 2012 | Les langues dans le monde | (instructor: Andrés Pablo Salanova; U of Ottawa) |
| Fall 2011 | Introduction to Linguistics | (instructor: Robert Truswell; U of Ottawa) |

as guest lecturer

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| 20/07/2016 | Entailment and monotonicity | (course: The Science of Language; instructor: Jenny Lee; Harvard U) |
| 01/2014 | Syntax bootcamp; Semantics bootcamp; \LaTeX for Linguists | (Lucian Blaga U of Sibiu) |

as workshop leader

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| 25/04/2017 | A beginner's introduction to experiments | (with Aurore González; Harvard U) |
| 28/09/2016 | Introduction to \LaTeX | (with Laurence B-Violette; Harvard U) |

SERVICE

reviewing

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| grant proposals | National Science Foundation (NSF) (2021) |
| papers | <i>Borealis – An International Journal of Hispanic Linguistics</i> (2014) |
| abstracts | <i>Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB)</i> (x 2) |
| | <i>Syntax, Phonology and Language Analysis (SinFonLJA)</i> (x 1) |

editing

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| 2021 | Member of the editorial committee for <i>Proceedings of Experiments in Linguistic Meaning (ELM) 1</i> . |
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proofreading for open access linguistics publishers

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| | Language Science Press (chapters from 5 volumes, altogether 250 pp.) |
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organizing

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| 2015 | Co-organizer, Southern New England Workshop on Semantics (SNEWS) @ Harvard U (Nov 21) |
| 2012 | Student helper, Workshop on Modality @ U of Ottawa (Apr 20-21) |

outreach

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| 2019-20 | Outreach events organizer as Assistant Head Tutor at Harvard Linguistics |
| 2018 | Interviewee, article on experimental linguistic research (Harvard Gazette, Feb 21) |
| 2017 | Linguistics referee, US national high-school research competition (MIT INSPIRE) |

MISCELLANEOUS

affiliations

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| 2016-2019 | Meaning and Modality Lab (experimental research on spoken and signed languages), Harvard U |
| 2016-2019 | Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard U |
| 2014-2019 | Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard U |

technical skills

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| OS | Linux, Windows, Mac |
| programming | Bash; R (tidyverse, lme4, lsmeans); Python (pandas, matplotlib, glob); WebPPL |

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| version control | | Git |
| typesetting | | ℒ _T _E _X |
| other | | Praat; Qualtrics; Amazon Mechanical Turk |

languages (_ / _ = approximate rank on [ILR/CEFR](#) scale; * = structural knowledge)

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| 5/native | | Romanian |
| 4/C2 | | English |
| 3+/C1 | | French |
| 2/B2 | | Spanish |
| 1+/B1 | | German |
| 1+/A2 | | Bangla, Esperanto, Italian |
| 0+/A1 | | Mandarin Chinese, Modern Greek, Russian |
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| REFERENCES |
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