

CONFERENCE

*Finding Common Ground:
Social, Ecological, and Cognitive Perspectives on Language Use*

June 12-14, 2014

Bousfield Building

University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

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The conference will bring together contributors to some of the major developments in cognitive science of the last few decades relating to public language use in order to promote cross-pollination. Contributions represented at the conferences are, among others from ecological psychology, enactive approaches, cognitive linguistics, and studies of “paralinguistic” activities including gestures, eye gaze and other communicative activities that are integral to public use of language.

Invited Speakers

Mark Bickhard Department of Philosophy, Lehigh University

The social-interactive ontology of language

Elena Cuffari Department of Logic & Philosophy of Science, University of the Basque Country

From participatory sense-making to language: There and back again

Rick Dale Cognitive & Information Sciences, University of California, Merced

Face, eyes, hands, throat: the dynamic multimodality of talking in context

Bryan Gick Department of Linguistics, University of British Columbia

Putting the body in embodied speech

Susan Goldin-Meadow Department of Psychology, University of Chicago

Gesture grounds talk in action and contributes to change

Alexander V. Kravchenko Department of Foreign Languages, Baikal National University of Economics & Law, Russia

Language as human ecology: A new agenda for linguistic education

Per Linell Department of Education, Communication and Learning, Göteborg University

Dialogism: Interactivity, agency and language

Kerry Marsh Department of Psychology, University of Connecticut

Social eddies: Social ecological contexts of conversing

Joanna Rączaszek-Leonardi Psychology Dept., University of Warsaw & Polish Academy of Sciences

How does a word become a message? Language as a system of replicable constraints on multi-time-scale dynamics

Registration: \$300 for faculty, \$250 grad students

(grad students may apply for a \$200 rebate, if they do not have other means of support: Apply to carol.fowler@uconn.edu)

Registration pays for conference sessions for 3 days with breakfasts, lunches, coffee breaks, poster session snacks, opening reception, and conference dinner (Friday night) included. For [graduate students](#) who are attending the conference, the registration fee also covers the cost of the Pre-conference Workshop (see notice below).

Registration Website: www.regonline.com/findingcommonground

Organizers: Bert Hodges (bert.hodges@uconn.edu) & Carol Fowler (carol.fowler@uconn.edu)

Other Papers

Drew Abney Cognitive and Information Sciences, University of California, Merced

Complexity matching across conversational settings

Edward Baggs Institute for Language, Cognition and Computation, University of Edinburgh

A new realist theory of speaking: Linguistic meaning without conventions

Stephen Cowley Centre for Human Interactivity, University of Southern Denmark

Language and languaging: How ecology brings forth subjectivity

Riccardo Fusaroli Department of Aesthetics and Communication, Aarhus University

Dialogical dynamics in conflict and deception

Bruno Galantucci Psychology Department, Yeshiva University

The development of sophisticated forms of communication in humans

Sabrina Golonka Leeds Metropolitan University, Leeds, UK

An ecological task analysis of language use

Javier González de Prado Salas Department of Logic, History, and Science, UNED Madrid

Non-algorithmic skills: The case of metaphor

Thomas Wiben Jensen Department of Language and Communication, University of Southern Denmark

Emotion in languaging: An ecological approach to the intertwined nature of language and emotion in social interaction

Peter Jones Cultural, Communication and Computing Research Institute, Sheffield Hallam University

'Coordination' (Herb Clark) and 'integration' (Roy Harris): Common ground or competing visions?

Robert Port Department of Linguistics, Indiana University

A language as a cultural institution

Nancy Rader Department of Psychology, Ithaca College

A speaker's orchestrating of infant attention through show gestures: Evidence from pupil dilation

Elliot Saltzman Boston University, Department of Physical Therapy & Athletic Training, & Haskins

Laboratories *Parallels between the dynamics of coordinative structures serving physical manipulation and social communication functions: Grounding agents in their environments, complex affordances, compositionality, and action grammars*

Sune Steffensen Department of Language and Communication, University of Southern Denmark

The ecology of cognitive events: Languaging as cognitive engagement

Talbot Taylor Department of Linguistics, The College of William and Mary

Metadiscourse and normative sameness in language-use

Paul Thibault Faculty of Humanities and Education, University of Agder, Norway

Linguistic events and affordances: Socio-cognitive dynamics, virtual experience, and linguistic catalysis in human interactivity

Enrico Torre Linguistics and English Language, Lancaster University

Stability, variation, and causal circularity: Disclosing dynamic patterns in Italian idiomatic constructions

Kristian Tylén Department of Aesthetics and Communication, Aarhus University

Building common ground: Reciprocal engagement and heart rate synchronization in a collective creative Lego construction task

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

June 11, 2014 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

New Perspectives on Language Dynamics: Theoretical and Empirical Developments

Dr. Rick Dale

Cognitive and Information Sciences, University of California, Merced

&

Dr. Joanna Raćzaszek-Leonardi

Department of Psychology, University of Warsaw

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