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Education

- 2007 **Ph.D., Linguistics.**
University of Maryland
Advisor: Howard Lasnik, Committee: Norbert Hornstein, Colin Phillips, Jeff Lidz
- 2003 **A.B., Linguistics, *summa cum laude*.**
Princeton University
Advisor: Robert Freidin

Academic Positions

- 2021-present **Professor, Program in Psychology.**
New York University Abu Dhabi
- 2020-2021 **Professor, Department of Linguistics.**
University of Connecticut
- 2013-2020 **Associate Professor, Department of Linguistics.**
University of Connecticut
- 2007-2013 **Assistant Professor, Department of Cognitive Sciences.**
University of California, Irvine (tenure awarded)

Awards

- 2020 **C. L. Baker (mid-career) Award.**
Linguistic Society of America
- 2019 **Paper included in *The Best of Language: Volume III*.**
Linguistic Society of America (for *A test of the cognitive assumptions of magnitude estimation*)
- 2013 **Early Career Award.**
Linguistic Society of America
- 2012 **Best paper in *Language* 2011.**
Linguistic Society of America (for *A test of the cognitive assumptions of magnitude estimation*)
- 2013-2020 **Provost's commendation for outstanding teaching.**
University of Connecticut (awarded 8 times)

External Grants

- 2014-2017 Sprouse, Jon. An integrated theory of syntactic acquisition - Realistic input, quantitatively defined target states, and computational models of the learning strategy. National Science Foundation BCS-1347115. \$231,102.
- 2009-2013 Pearl, Lisa and Jon Sprouse. Testing the Universal Grammar Hypothesis. National Science Foundation BCS-0843896. \$176,713.

Manuscripts (available online)

- submitted Huang, Nick, Diogo Almeida, and Jon Sprouse. A nearly exhaustive experimental investigation of bridge effects in English.
- submitted Cerrone, Pietro, and Jon Sprouse. An Experimental Investigation of Ne-cliticization as a Split-intransitivity Diagnostic in Italian.
- submitted Pañeda, Claudia, Dave Kush, Sandra Villata, and Jon Sprouse. A translation-matched, experimental comparison of three types of wh-island effects in Spanish and English.
- draft Koval, Pasha and Jon Sprouse. Island sensitivity of relative clause extraposition: Evidence for rightward movement.
- draft Koval, Pasha and Jon Sprouse. The target of relative clause extraposition: An experimental investigation of c-command effects.
- draft Petrosino, Roberto, Diogo Almeida, Andrea Calabrese, and Jon Sprouse. Social cognition categories impact early auditory processing: Asymmetrical Mismatch Negativities to socially-marked biological sounds.

Projects with complete data sets (slides/posters online)

- in prep Villata, Sandra and Jon Sprouse. A nearly exhaustive test of the "d-linking" amelioration effect on island effects in English.
- in prep Cerrone, Pietro and Jon Sprouse. Italian Clitic Left Dislocation and A'-movement: an experimental investigation.
- in prep Park, Jayeon and Jon Sprouse. Three purported exceptions to island effects in English.
- in prep Fukuda, Shin, Li Julie Jiang, Yunchuan Chen, Yao Huang, Kai-Ying Lin, and Jon Sprouse. Three split-intransitivity diagnostics in Mandarin.
- in prep Sprouse, Jon, Ivona Kučerová, Pietro Cerrone, Jayeon Park, Nic Schrum, and Ellen Lau.
- in prep Park, Jayeon, Satoshi Tomioka, and Jon Sprouse. The Sustained Anterior Negativity and syntactic dependencies in Korean.
- in prep Nguyen, Emma and Jon Sprouse. The P600 and the repetition of syntactic violations.

Journal Articles (available online)

- in press Aqarbeh, Rania and Jon Sprouse. Island effects and amelioration by resumption in Jordanian Arabic: An auditory acceptability-judgment study. *Syntax*.
- 2022 Fukuda, Shin, Nozomi Tanaka, Hajime Ono, and Jon Sprouse. An experimental reassessment of complex NP islands with NP-scrambling in Japanese. *Glossa* 7(1).
- 2022 Sprouse, Jon, Troy Messick, and Jonathan Bobaljik. Gender asymmetries in ellipsis: An experimental comparison of markedness and frequency accounts in English. *Journal of Linguistics* 58: 345-379.
- 2021 Pearl, Lisa and Jon Sprouse. The acquisition of linking theories: A Tolerance Principle approach to learning UTAH and rUTAH. *Language Acquisition* 28: 294-325.
- 2020 Marty, Paul, Emmanuel Chemla, and Jon Sprouse. The effect of three basic task features on the sensitivity of acceptability judgment tasks. *Glossa* 5: 1-23.
- 2019 Pearl, Lisa and Jon Sprouse. Comparing solutions to the linking problem using an integrated quantitative framework of language acquisition. *Language* 95: 583-611.
- 2019 Kush, Dave, Terje Lohndal, and Jon Sprouse. On the Island Sensitivity of Topicalization in Norwegian: An experimental investigation. *Language* 95: 393-420.
- 2019 Ko, Heejeong, Han-byul Chung, Kitaek Kim, and Jon Sprouse. An Experimental Study on Scrambling out of Islands: To the left and to the right. *Language and Information Society* 37.
- 2018 Sprouse, Jon, Beracah Yankama, Sagar Indurkha, Sandiway Fong, and Robert C. Berwick. Colorless green ideas do sleep furiously: Gradient acceptability and the nature of the grammar. *The Linguistic Review* 35: 575-599.
- 2018 Kush, Dave, Terje Lohndal, and Jon Sprouse. Investigating Variation in Island Effects: A case study of Norwegian. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 36:743-779.
- 2018 Sprouse, Jon, and Diogo Almeida. Setting the empirical record straight: Acceptability judgments appear to be reliable, robust, and replicable. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 40: e311.
- 2017 Sprouse, Jon, and Diogo Almeida. Design sensitivity and statistical power in acceptability judgment experiments. *Glossa* 2(1): 14, DOI: <http://doi.org/10.5334/gjgl.236>.
- 2016 Sprouse, Jon, Ivano Caponigro, Ciro Greco, and Carlo Cecchetto. Experimental syntax and the variation of island effects in English and Italian. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory* 34: 307-344.
- 2015 Rogalsky, Corianne, Diogo Almeida, Jon Sprouse, and Greg Hickok. Sentence processing selectivity in Broca's area: Evident for structure but not syntactic movement. *Language, Cognition, and Neuroscience* 30: 1326-1338.
- 2015 Pearl, Lisa, and Jon Sprouse. Computational modeling for language acquisition: A tutorial with syntactic islands. *Journal of Speech, Language, and Hearing Research* 58: 740-753.

Journal Articles (continued)

- 2015 Schütze, Carson T., Jon Sprouse, and Ivano Caponigro. Challenges for a theory of islands: A broader perspective on Ambridge, Pine, and Lieven. *Language: Perspectives* 91: e31-e39.
- 2015 Sprouse, Jon. Three open questions in experimental syntax. *Linguistics Vanguard* 1: 89-100. DOI: 10.1515/lingvan-2014-1012.
- 2014 Matchin, William, Jon Sprouse, and Greg Hickok. A structural distance effect for backward anaphora in Broca's area: an fMRI study. *Brain and Language* 138: 1-11.
- 2013 Sprouse, Jon, Carson T. Schütze, and Diogo Almeida. A comparison of informal and formal acceptability judgments using a random sample from Linguistic Inquiry 2001-2010. *Lingua* 134: 219-248.
- 2013 Pearl, Lisa, and Jon Sprouse. Syntactic islands and learning biases: Combining experimental syntax and computational modeling to investigate the language acquisition problem. *Language Acquisition* 20: 23-68.
- 2013 Sprouse, Jon, and Diogo Almeida. The empirical status of data in syntax: A reply to Gibson and Fedorenko. *Language and Cognitive Processes* 28: 222-228.
- 2012 Sprouse, Jon, and Diogo Almeida. Assessing the reliability of textbook data in syntax: Adger's Core Syntax. *Journal of Linguistics* 48: 609-652.
- 2012 Sprouse, Jon, Matt Wagers, and Colin Phillips. Working memory capacity and island effects: A reminder of the issues and the facts. *Language* 88(2): 401-407.
- 2012 Sprouse, Jon, Matt Wagers, and Colin Phillips. A test of the relation between working memory capacity and island constraints. *Language* 88(1): 82-123.
- 2011 Sprouse, Jon. A test of the cognitive assumptions of magnitude estimation: Commutativity does not hold for acceptability judgments. *Language* 87(2): 274-288.
- 2011 Sprouse, Jon. A validation of Amazon Mechanical Turk for the collection of acceptability judgments in linguistic theory. *Behavior Research Methods* 43(1): 155-167.
- 2011 Sprouse, Jon, Shin Fukuda, Hajime Ono, and Robert Kluender. Reverse island effects and the backward search for a licenser in multiple wh-questions. *Syntax* 14(2): 179-203.
- 2009 Sprouse, Jon. Revisiting Satiation: Evidence for an equalization response strategy. *Linguistic Inquiry* 40(2): 329-341.
- 2008 Sprouse, Jon. The differential sensitivity of acceptability judgments to processing effects. *Linguistic Inquiry* 39(4): 686-694.
- 2007 Sprouse, Jon. Continuous Acceptability, Categorical Grammaticality, and Experimental Syntax. *Biolinguistics* 1: 118-129.
- 2007 Sprouse, Jon. Rhetorical Questions and WH-Movement. *Linguistic Inquiry* 38(3): 572-580.
- 2005 Sprouse, Jon. After all, what doesn't *because* select? *Snippets* 10.

Edited Volumes

- 2023 Sprouse, Jon (editor). *Oxford Handbook of Experimental Syntax*. Oxford University Press.
- 2013 Sprouse, Jon, and Norbert Hornstein (editors). *Experimental Syntax and Island Effects*. Cambridge University Press.

Book Chapters (available online)

- 2023 Sprouse, Jon and Diogo Almeida. Electrophysiological methods. In *The Oxford Handbook of Experimental Syntax*, edited by Jon Sprouse. Oxford University Press.
- 2023 Sprouse, Jon. Acceptability judgment methods. In *The Oxford Handbook of Experimental Syntax*, edited by Jon Sprouse. Oxford University Press.
- 2021 Sprouse, Jon and Sandra Villata. Islands. In *The Cambridge Handbook of Experimental Syntax*, edited by Grant Goodall. Cambridge University Press.
- 2020 Sprouse, Jon. A user's view of the validity of acceptability judgments as evidence for syntactic theories. In *Linguistic Intuitions*, edited by Samuel Schindler, Anna Drozdowicz, and Karen Brøcker. Oxford University Press.
- 2020 Sprouse, Jon, and Carson Schütze. Grammar and the use of data. In *Oxford Handbook of English Grammar*, edited by Geri Popova, Bas Aarts, and Jillian Bowie. Oxford University Press.
- 2019 Tucker, Matthew, Ali Idrissi, Jon Sprouse, and Diogo Almeida. Resumption ameliorates different islands differentially: Acceptability data from Modern Standard Arabic. In *Perspectives on Arabic Linguistics 30*, Edited by Matthew Tucker.
- 2018 Sprouse, Jon. Acceptability judgments and grammaticality, prospects and challenges. In *Syntactic Structures after 60 Years: The Impact of the Chomyskan Revolution in Linguistics*, edited by Norbert Hornstein. Mouton de Gruyter.
- 2015 Sprouse, Jon, and Norbert Hornstein. Syntax and the cognitive neuroscience of syntactic structure building. In *Neurobiology of Language*, edited by Greg Hickok and Steve Small. Elsevier.
- 2014 Schütze, Carson and Jon Sprouse. Judgment Data. In *Research Methods in Linguistics*, edited by Devyani Sharma and Rob Podesva. Cambridge University Press.
- 2013 Sprouse, Jon. Acceptability Judgments. In *Oxford Bibliographies Online*, edited by Mark Aronoff. Oxford University Press.
- 2013 Sprouse, Jon, Matt Wagers, and Colin Phillips. Deriving competing predictions from grammatical approaches and reductionist approaches to island effects. In *Experimental Syntax and Island Effects*, edited by Jon Sprouse and Norbert Hornstein. Cambridge University Press.
- 2013 Pearl, Lisa and Jon Sprouse. Computational models of acquisition for islands. In *Experimental Syntax and Island Effects*, edited by Jon Sprouse and Norbert Hornstein. Cambridge University Press.

Book Chapters (continued)

- 2013 Sprouse, Jon, and Diogo Almeida. The role of experimental syntax in an integrated cognitive science of language. In *The Cambridge Handbook of Bilingualism*, edited by Kleanthes Grohmann and Cedric Boeckx. Cambridge University Press.
- 2013 Sprouse, Jon and Ellen F. Lau. Syntax and the brain. In *The Cambridge Handbook of Generative Grammar*, edited by Marcel den Dikken. Cambridge University Press.

Conference Proceedings

- 2023 Fukuda, Shin, Hajime Ono, Nozomi Tanaka, and Jon Sprouse. Re-examining Island Effects with NP- scrambling in Japanese: The Effect of Individual Variation. *Proceedings of Japanese/Korean Linguistics* 30.
- 2019 Villata, Sandra, Jon Sprouse, and Whit Tabor. Modeling ungrammaticality: A self-organizing model of islands. *Proceedings of the 41st Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*, Montreal, Canada.
- 2019 Mayer, Erika, Susanne Wurmbrand, and Jon Sprouse. An experimental investigation of NPI licensing under DE flip-flop. *Proceedings of NELS 48*, the University of Iceland.
- 2009 Sprouse, Jon. Magnitude Estimation and the non-linearity of acceptability judgments. *Proceedings of WCCFL 27* UCLA.
- 2007 Caponigro, Ivano and Jon Sprouse. Rhetorical questions as questions. *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 11*. Barcelona.
- 2007 Sprouse, Jon. ACD and Movement Reconsidered. *Proceedings of NELS 36*. UMass.
- 2006 Sprouse, Jon. The Accent Projection Principle: Why the hell not? *Proceedings of the 29th Penn Linguistics Colloquium*, edited by Aviad Eilam, Tatjana Scheffler, and Joshua Tauberer. *Penn Working Papers in Linguistics* 12.1: 349-359.

Invited Presentations

- 2023 Experimental Syntax and the signature of formal syntax. ICFL-10, Tsinghua University, Beijing, October 29.
- 2023 A large-scale test of "d-linking" as a diagnostic of the strong/weak island distinction in English. Penn Locality Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, April 1.
- 2023 Experimental Syntax in Abu Dhabi. Perspectives on Multilingualism, New York University, January 27.
- 2022 Three vignettes about movement and experimental syntax. Mayfest, University of Maryland, May 14.
- 2022 Three or four vignettes about movement and experimental syntax. University of Chicago, April 7.
- 2022 Three or four vignettes about movement and experimental syntax. Harvard University, March 11.

Invited Presentations (continued)

- 2021 Three vignettes about movement and experimental syntax. University of Pennsylvania, November 18.
- 2019 Marr's razor and syntactic movement in grammar, parsing, and acquisition. McMaster University, November 22.
- 2019 Sustained anterior negativities and the parsing consequences of syntactic movement. Michigan State University, October 17.
- 2019 Sustained anterior negativities and the parsing consequences of syntactic movement. Stony Brook University, September 13.
- 2019 Experimental syntax and three case studies in movement. Invited talk at the Comparative Germanic Syntax Workshop 34, University of Konstanz, Germany, June 14-15.
- 2019 Four island studies, and their consequences for the empirical landscape of island effects. Keynote talk at symposium on Island Phenomena in the Scandinavian Languages, Aarhus University, Denmark, June 11-12.
- 2019 Experimental syntax and three case studies in movement. University of Chicago, May 24.
- 2019 The role of experimental syntax in the cognitive neuroscience of language. University of Delaware, April 19.
- 2019 The role of experimental syntax in the cognitive neuroscience of language. New York University, April 2.
- 2019 Mini-course on experimental syntax: acceptability judgments and EEG. Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, March 18-19.
- 2019 Experimental syntax and three case studies in movement. Keynote talk at ICTEAP 2, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, March 16-17.
- 2019 Experimental syntax and the cognitive neuroscience of language. New York University - Abu Dhabi, February 26.
- 2019 Island effects and the role of formal experimental work in linguistic theory. Talk presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, January 5.
- 2018 Looking for experimental evidence for A-movement. University of Michigan, October 19.
- 2018 Experimental Syntax. Mini-course taught at the Linguistic Society of Korea Linguistic School. Seoul National University, February 5-7.
- 2017 The things we abstract away from: gradience, effect sizes, and qualia. Invited talk at the Workshop on Linguistic Intuitions, Evidence, and Expertise. Aarhus University, October 25-27.
- 2017 Some empirical challenges for the theory of long-distance dependencies. Invited talk at the workshop on Relating Grammar and Parsing. University of Geneva, September 29th.

Invited Presentations (continued)

- 2017 Experimental Syntax and EEG: Two experiments and some naive ideas. University of Delaware, September 9.
- 2017 Experimental Syntax. Mini-course taught at the Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute. University of Kentucky, July 5 to August 1.
- 2017 Experimental syntax and the cognitive neuroscience of language. New York University, Abu Dhabi, April 16.
- 2017 A deeper look at island effects. New York University, March 24.
- 2016 Experimental syntax and the cognitive neuroscience of language. Keynote lecture at the Language Program Workshop, ARC Centre of Excellence in Cognition and its Disorders, Macquarie University, August 1.
- 2016 Three uses for experimental syntax. The workshop on experimental approaches to East Asian linguistics, University of Hawaii at Manoa, May 19.
- 2016 Designing and analyzing an acceptability judgment experiment. The workshop on experimental approaches to East Asian linguistics, University of Hawaii at Manoa, May 18.
- 2016 Experimental syntax and the cognitive neuroscience of language. Prospects for the Theory of Syntax, Princeton University, April 15.
- 2016 Three projects on gradience in experimental syntax. University of Southern California, March 7.
- 2016 Some thoughts about gradient acceptability and the nature of grammar. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, February 24.
- 2016 Mini-course on Experimental Syntax. Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Washington DC, January 7.
- 2015 Two attempts to chip away at the gradience problem. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, December 4.
- 2015 Chipping away at the gradience problem. CUNY Graduate Center, November 5.
- 2015 Island effects, gradience, and the role of formal experiments in theoretical syntax. University of Maryland, May 8.
- 2015 Neuronal oscillations and syntactic structure-building. McMaster University, April 1.
- 2015 Experimental syntax and three debates in linguistics. McMaster University, April 1.
- 2015 A program for experimental syntax: data, theory, and biology. CRISSP lecture series, KU Leuven - Brussels, March 16-19.
- 2015 It's time to get serious about gradience. Invited speaker at Florida Linguistics Yearly Meeting 2, Eckerd College, March 8.
- 2014 A conversation about acceptability judgments. University of Massachusetts, Amherst, October 16.

Invited Presentations (continued)

- 2014 Three big questions in experimental syntax. Lecture series given at XPrag methods workshop, ZAS Berlin, July 23-25.
- 2014 Experimental syntax: Chasing Monsters. Invited speaker at WCCFL 32, University of Southern California, March 8.
- 2013 The next phase of experimental syntax. University of Illinois Chicago, October 4.
- 2013 The next phase of experimental syntax. Yale University, October 1.
- 2013 Experimental Syntax in 2013: Triumphs and Challenges. Workshop: Understanding Acceptability Judgments. University of Potsdam, September 9.
- 2013 Island effects: domain-general or domain-specific. Pomona College, February 13.
- 2013 Experimental syntax, linguistic theory, and the cognitive neuroscience of language. University Connecticut, February 1.
- 2012 Experimental syntax, theoretical syntax, and the cognitive neuroscience of language. Princeton University, December 13.
- 2012 Experimental syntax and the cognitive neuroscience of language. Johns Hopkins University, October 25.
- 2012 Experimental syntax and the cognitive neuroscience of language. Harvard University, October 19.
- 2012 Syntactic islands and learning biases. Princeton University, October 8th.
- 2012 Assessing the role of experimental syntax in linguistic theory. Keynote speaker at TEAL 7, Hiroshima University, February 18.
- 2011 Making sense of the experimental syntax landscape. University of Michigan, October 28.
- 2011 Making sense of the experimental syntax landscape. Michigan State University, October 27.
- 2011 The cognitive neuroscience of sentence processing. California State University, Fullerton, October 10.
- 2011 Experimental syntax and island effects. Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, June 29.
- 2011 Assessing the reliability of data in syntactic theory. Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, June 28.
- 2011 The role of experimental syntax in an integrated cognitive science of language. New York University, March 21.
- 2010 The theoretical side of experimental syntax. Keynote Speaker at WECOL 2010. California State University, Fresno, November 12-14.
- 2010 The theoretical side of experimental syntax. Invited speaker at NELS 41. University of Pennsylvania, October 22-24.
- 2010 The quantitative syntax debate. University of California, Santa Cruz, May 28.

Invited Presentations (continued)

- 2010 The experimental syntax debate. Keynote speaker at the 19th annual Linguistics Symposium. California State University, Fullerton, April 12.
- 2010 A program for experimental syntax. University of Chicago, February 18.
- 2009 Wh-dependencies in English and Japanese: A case study for experimental syntax. University of California, Los Angeles, October 28.
- 2009 Looking for evidence in the islands debate. University of California, San Diego, May 4.
- 2009 Looking for evidence in the islands debate. University of Maryland, May 1.
- 2008 Islands and the role of working memory in acceptability judgments. University of California, Los Angeles, October 15.
- 2008 Moving beyond experiments. University of Tuebingen, Germany, May 6.
- 2007 Acceptability, Grammaticality, and the Role of Experimental Syntax. University of California, Santa Cruz, November 2.
- 2007 Acceptability, Grammaticality, and the Role of Experimental Syntax. University of Southern California, October 29.
- 2007 Engaging the debate. Guest Lecture, Harvard University, May 3.
- 2007 The new power of acceptability judgments. Harvard University, May 1.
- 2007 Subject Islands, Grammar, and Parser. Harvard University, April 30.
- 2007 A program for Experimental Syntax. University of California, Irvine, March 22.
- 2007 A program for Experimental Syntax. Princeton University, March 13.
- 2006 Experimental Syntax. University of California, San Diego, November 30.

Conference Presentations

- 2023 Pañeda, Claudia, Dave Kush, Sandra Villata, and Jon Sprouse. No cross-linguistic variation in Spanish and English wh-island effects. Poster presented at AMLaP 23. San Sebastian, Spain. September 1.
- 2023 Sandra Villata and Jon Sprouse. The amelioration effect of which on strong/weak islands in English: an experimental study. Talk presented at GLOW 46. University of Vienna. April 14.
- 2021 Koval, Pasha and Jon Sprouse. Relative Clause Extraposition in Russian is created by syntactic movement. Talk presented at NELS 52, Rutgers University, October 29-31.
- 2020 Tabor, Whitney, Sandra Villata, and Jon Sprouse. 2020. A computational model of semantic gist encoding in sentence processing. Talk presented at the 50th Annual Meeting of the Society for Computation in Psychology. November 19.
- 2020 Park, Jayeon, Satoshi Tomioka, and Jon Sprouse. 2020. The sustained anterior negativity and syntactic movement dependencies in Korean. Talk presented at the 28TH JAPANESE/KOREAN LINGUISTICS conference. University of Central Lancashire. September 7.

Conference Presentations (continued)

- 2020 Pañeda, Claudia, Sandra Villata, Dave Kush, and Jon Sprouse. 2020. Processing embedded question islands in Spanish: Evidence from the Maze Task. Poster presented at the 26TH Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing Conference. September 3.
- 2020 Tabor, Whitney, Sandra Villata, and Jon Sprouse. 2020. Strong and weak islands: A theory of graded accessibility of linguistic domains. Talk presented at the 26TH Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing Conference. September 3.
- 2020 Villata, Sandra, Whitney Tabor, and Jon Sprouse. 2020. Gap-filling in English syntactic islands: Evidence from Forced Choice and Maze Tasks. Poster presented at the 26TH Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing Conference. September 3.
- 2020 Park, Jayeon, and Jon Sprouse. An experimental investigation of three purported exceptions to island effects in English. Poster presented at the 33rd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Massachusetts. March 19-21.
- 2020 Schrum, Nicolaus, and Jon Sprouse. ERP effects of how come and adjunct wh-questions. Poster presented at the 33rd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Massachusetts. March 19-21.
- 2020 Tabor, Whitney, Sandra Villata and Jon Sprouse. A theory of island semi-accessibility: the case of the Strong/Weak distinction. Talk presented at the 33rd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Massachusetts. March 19-21.
- 2020 Villata, Sandra, Whitney Tabor and Jon Sprouse. Gap-filling in syntactic islands: Evidence for island penetrability from the Maze Task. Poster presented at the 33rd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Massachusetts. March 19-21.
- 2019 Villata, Sandra, Jon Sprouse, and Whit Tabor. Modeling ungrammaticality: A self-organizing model of islands. Talk presented at the 41st Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society, Montreal, Canada. July 24-27.
- 2019 Cerrone, Pietro, and Jon Sprouse. Testing split-intransitivity: an experimental investigation of two diagnostics in Italian. Talk presented at Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW) 42. University of Oslo. May 7-11.
- 2019 Villata, Sandra, Jon Sprouse, and Whit Tabor. Modeling ungrammaticality: A self-organizing model of islands. Poster presented at the 32nd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Colorado, March 29-31.
- 2019 Petrosino, Roberto, and Jon Sprouse. Is morphological decomposition driven by syllabification? Poster presented at Penn Linguistic Conference. March 22-24.
- 2019 Nguyen, Emma, and Jon Sprouse. ERP satiation of whether-islands impacts scalp distribution, not amplitude. Talk presented at The 93rd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America. New York City, NY. January 3-6.

Conference Presentations (continued)

- 2018 Matchin, William, Diogo Almeida, Jon Sprouse, and Greg Hickok. Subject island violations involve increased semantic processing, but not increased verbal working memory resources: evidence from fMRI. Poster presented at the 31st Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Davis CA. March 15-17.
- 2018 Nguyen, Emma, and Jon Sprouse. Exploring heterogeneous P600 satiation in an attempt to reveal N400s in semantic P600 sentences. Poster presented at the 31st Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Davis CA. March 15-17.
- 2018 Nguyen, Emma, and Jon Sprouse. The (non-)satiation of P600/SPS effects to distinct grammatical violations. Talk presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, NV. January 4-7.
- 2018 Park, Jayeon, and Jon Sprouse. ERP responses to two types of subject island violations and constructions with substantially similar processing dynamics. Talk presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, NV. January 4-7.
- 2018 Petrosino, Roberto, Almeida, Diogo, Calabrese, Andrea, and Jon Sprouse. Asymmetrical MMNs to socially-marked biological sounds: a potential challenge to the phoneme underspecification hypothesis. Poster presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, NV. January 4-7.
- 2018 Snider, Laura, and Jon Sprouse. ERP responses to active versus “passive” gap filling. Poster presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, NV. January 4-7.
- 2018 Matchin, William, Diogo Almeida, Jon Sprouse, and Greg Hickok. Semantic processing triggered by subject island violations (but not phrase structure violations): evidence from fMRI. Poster presented at the Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, NV. January 4-7.
- 2017 Nguyen, Emma, and Jon Sprouse. The (non-)satiation of P600/SPS effects to distinct grammatical violations. Poster presented at the 9th Annual Society for the Neurobiology of Language Conference, Baltimore, MD. November 11-15.
- 2017 Park, Jayeon, and Jon Sprouse. ERP responses to two types of subject island violations and constructions with substantially similar processing dynamics. Poster presented at the 9th Annual Society for the Neurobiology of Language Conference, Baltimore, MD. November 11-15.
- 2017 Petrosino, Roberto, Almeida, Diogo, Calabrese, Andrea, and Jon Sprouse. Asymmetrical MMNs to socially-marked biological sounds: a potential challenge to the phoneme underspecification hypothesis. Poster presented at the 9th Annual Society for the Neurobiology of Language Conference, Baltimore, MD. November 11-15.
- 2017 Snider, Laura, and Jon Sprouse. ERP responses to active versus “passive” gap filling. Poster presented at the 9th Annual Society for the Neurobiology of Language Conference, Baltimore, MD. November 11-15.

Conference Presentations (continued)

- 2017 Mayer, Erika, Susanne Wurmbrand, and Jon Sprouse. An experimental investigation of NPI licensing under DE flip-flop. Poster presented at the 48th Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 48), University of Iceland, Reykjavík, Iceland. October 27-29.
- 2017 Park, Jayeon, and Jon Sprouse. ERP correlates of subject island effects. Talk presented at the 19th Seoul International Conference on Generative Grammar, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea. August 9-11.
- 2017 Kush, Dave, Terje Lohndal, and Jon Sprouse. 2017. (In-)consistent island effects in Norwegian? Poster presented at the 30th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing. Massachusetts Institute of Technology. March 30.
- 2016 White, Aaron Steven and Jon Sprouse. 2016. The trace of categorical structure in gradient judgments. Poster presented at WCCFL 34. University of Utah. April 30.
- 2016 Sprouse, Jon, Sagar Indurkha, Sandiway Fong, and Robert C. Berwick. 2016. Colorless green ideas still do sleep furiously. Talk presented at Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW) 39. University of Göttingen. April 6.
- 2016 Tucker, Matt, Ali Idrissi, Jon Sprouse, and Diogo Almeida. 2016. Does grammaticalized resumption repair islands? Acceptability data from Standard Arabic reading. Talk presented at the 30th Annual Symposium on Arabic Linguistics, April 2nd. Stony Brook University, New York.
- 2016 Tucker, Matt, Ali Idrissi, Jon Sprouse, and Diogo Almeida. 2016. Components of Grammaticalized Resumption as Island Repair in Modern Standard Arabic. Poster Presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America. Washington, DC. January 8.
- 2015 Sprouse, Jon, Sagar Indurkha, Sandiway Fong, and Robert C. Berwick. 2015. Colorless green ideas do sleep furiously: the necessity of grammar. Talk presented at NELS 46. Concordia University. October 18.
- 2015 Sprouse, Jon, and Troy Messick. 2015. How gradient are island effects?. Poster presented at NELS 46. Concordia University. October 17.
- 2015 Tucker, Matt, Ali Idrissi, Jon Sprouse, and Diogo Almeida. 2015. Grammaticalized Resumption Helps a Little with Islands and d-Linking Helps a Lot: Evidence from Modern Standard Arabic Acceptability. Poster Presented at the 2015 Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing (AMLaP) Conference. Valletta, Malta. September 5.
- 2015 Tucker, Matt, Ali Idrissi, Jon Sprouse, and Diogo Almeida. 2015. Resumption ameliorates but does not repair island violations: Evidence from Modern Standard Arabic acceptability. Poster presented at the 18th CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing. University of Southern California. March 21.

Conference Presentations (continued)

- 2015 Kush, Dave, Terje Lohndal, and Jon Sprouse. 2015. Experimental syntax and the linguistic variation of island effects in Norwegian and Swedish. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America. Portland, Oregon. January 8-11.
- 2013 Matchin, William, Jon Sprouse, and Greg Hickok. 2013. A Syntactic Distance Effect for Backwards Anaphora in Broca's area: an fMRI study. Poster presented at the 2013 annual meeting of the Society for the Neurobiology of Language. San Diego. November 6-8.
- 2012 Matchin, William, Jon Sprouse, and Greg Hickok. Broca's area shows a distance effect for both syntactic movement and backwards anaphora in fMRI. Poster presented at the 25th CUNY Human Sentence Processing Conference (CUNY 2012). CUNY Graduate Center. March 14-26.
- 2010 Sprouse, Jon, Matt Wagers, and Colin Phillips. The islands debate: processing costs versus grammatical constraints. Talk presented at the 28th West Coast Conference for Formal Linguistics (WCCFL 28). University of Southern California, February 19-21.
- 2009 Sprouse, Jon, Matt Wagers, and Colin Phillips. Island effects and the role of working memory in acceptability judgments. Talk presented at the 32nd Annual Colloquium of Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW 32). Nantes, France, April 16-18.
- 2008 Sprouse, Jon. Magnitude Estimation and the non-linearity of acceptability judgments. Talk presented at the West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics 27. University of California, Los Angeles, May 16-18.
- 2007 Almeida, Diogo, Joseph Hill, Jon Sprouse, Deborah Chen Pichler, and David Poeppel. Lexical access in signers: MEG evidence. Poster presentation. Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting. New York, May 5-8, 2007.
- 2007 Sprouse, Jon. Syntactic Satiation: Toward an etiology of linguist's disease. Talk presented at the 30th Annual Colloquium of Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW 30). University of Tromsø, Norway, April 12-14.
- 2007 Sprouse, Jon. The effect of temporary representations on acceptability. Talk presented at the 30th Annual Colloquium of Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW 30). University of Tromsø, Norway, April 12-14.
- 2007 Sprouse, Jon. Experimental Syntax: What does it get you? Talk presented at the 20th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, San Diego, CA, March 29-31.
- 2007 Omaki, Akira, Chris Dyer, Shiti Molhatra, Jon Sprouse, Colin Phillips, and Jeff Lidz. The time-course of anaphoric processing and syntactic reconstruction. Talk presented at the 20th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, San Diego, CA, March 29-31.
- 2007 Almeida, Diogo, Joseph Hill, Jon Sprouse, Deborah Chen Pichler, and David Poeppel. MEG evidence of lexical access in signers. Poster presentation at the 20th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, San Diego, CA, March 29-31.

Conference Presentations (continued)

- 2006 Caponigro, Ivano and Jon Sprouse. Rhetorical questions as questions. *Sinn und Bedeutung* 11. Barcelona, September 21-23.
- 2006 Caponigro, Ivano and Jon Sprouse. The questionable nature of rhetorical questions. The 2006 Milan Meeting, Gargnano, Italy, June 15-17.
- 2005 Sprouse, Jon. ACD and Movement Reconsidered, NELS 36, University of Massachusetts Amherst, October.
- 2005 Sprouse, Jon. The Accent Projection Principle: Why the hell not?, Penn Linguistics Colloquium 29, University of Pennsylvania, February.

Service to the field

- 2022-present Editorial board for *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*.
- 2018-present Editorial board for *Syntax: A journal of theoretical, experimental, and interdisciplinary research*.
- 2016-2019 Awards Committee, Linguistic Society of America.
- 2017 Course instructor for "Experimental Syntax" at the Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, University of Kentucky.
- 2013-2016 Program Committee, Linguistic Society of America.
- 2016 Co-organizer (with Lisa Pearl) of the workshop "SynLinks: Links between representation and processing in syntactic acquisition." Held at the University of Connecticut.
- 2012 Co-organizer (with Lisa Pearl) of the workshop "Input and Syntactic Acquisition and Psychocomputational Models of Human Language Acquisition." Held as a satellite workshop of the LSA Annual Meeting.
- 2009 Co-organizer (with Lisa Pearl) of the workshop "Input and Syntactic Acquisition." Held at the University of California, Irvine.

Service at the NYU Abu Dhabi

- 2023-present Chair, University Curriculum Committee
- 2023-present University Curriculum Committee
- 2023-present Chair, Science Divisional Curriculum Committee
- 2023-present MEG facility steering committee
- 2023 NYUAD Distinguished Teaching Award committee
- 2021-present Faculty Tenure/Promotion Committees (x3)
- 2022 Instructor search
- 2021-2022 Chair of the NYU Distinguished Teaching Award committee for NYUAD
- 2021-present Lab director for Syntax Lab.

Service at the University of Connecticut

- 2020-2021 Courses and Curricula committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- 2018-2021 Executive Committee for the Institute for Brain and Cognitive Sciences (IBACS), University of Connecticut
- 2019-2021 Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Linguistics.
- 2013-2021 Co-director of Cognitive Science Shared Electrophysiology Resource Laboratory (CSSERL), College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.
- 2013-2021 Director of the Syntax Laboratory (Synlab), Department of Linguistics.
- 2016-2019 Director of Financial Aid, Department of Linguistics.
- 2014-2018 Steering Committee for the Brain Imaging Research Center (BIRC), University of Connecticut.
- 2016-2018 Steering Committee for the Cognitive Sciences Program, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.
 - 2017 Search committee for Visiting assistant professor. Department of Linguistics.
 - 2017 Search committee for post-doctoral researcher. Department of Linguistics.
 - 2017 Search committee for Assistant Director of BIRC. University of Connecticut.
 - 2016 Search committee for visiting assistant professor. Department of Linguistics.
 - 2016 Search committee for post-doctoral researcher. Department of Linguistics.
 - 2014 Search committee for Director of Operations of BIRC. University of Connecticut.
- 2013-2016 Co-director of Graduate Admissions, Department of Linguistics.

Service at the University of California, Irvine

- 2011-2013 Associate Director, Center for Language Science, School of Social Sciences
- 2011-2012 Search Committee, Department of Cognitive Sciences
- 2011-2012 Alumni Excellence Scholarship Award Committee, School of Social Sciences
- 2011-2012 Alice B. Macy Award Committee, School of Social Sciences
 - 2011 Order of Merit Award Committee, School of Social Sciences
- 2010-2012 Undergraduate Director, Department of Cognitive Sciences
- 2009-2011 Outstanding Honors Thesis Award Committee, School of Social Sciences
 - 2009 Merit Review for Faculty Member, School of Social Sciences
- 2007-2013 Director, Syntax Lab, Department of Cognitive Sciences

Visiting Positions

- 2012-2013 Visiting Assistant Professor, Program in Linguistics. Princeton University.

Ad-hoc Reviewing

2007-present Reviewer for *Applied Psycholinguistics*, *Behavior Research Methods*, *Biolinguistics*, *Cambridge University Press*, *Canadian Journal of Linguistics*, *Cognition*, *Cognitive Science*, *Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation*, *CUNY*, *Frontiers in Psychology*, *French National Research Agency*, *Glossa*, *Glossa Psycholinguistics*, *GLOW*, *GLOW in Asia*, *Gengo Kenkyu*, *Going Romance*, *Israel Science Foundation*, *Journal of Comparative German Linguistics*, *Journal of East Asian Linguistics*, *Journal of Japanese Linguistics*, *Journal of Linguistics*, *Journal of Psycholinguistic Research*, *Journal of Semantics*, *Journal of Slavic Linguistics*, *Language*, *Language and Cognition*, *Language and Linguistics*, *Language and Linguistics Compass*, *Language Learning*, *Language and Speech*, *Lingua*, *Linguistic Evidence*, *Linguistic Inquiry*, *Linguistics*, *Linguistic Society of America*, *Linguistics Today*, *MIT Press*, *National Science Foundation*, *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*, *NELS*, *Nordic Journal of Linguistics*, *Oxford University Press*, *Springer*, *Studia Linguistica*, *Syntax*, *Taiwan Ministry of Science and Technology*, *The Linguistic Review*, *WCCFL*, *WECOL*.