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Curriculum Vitae

University Address:

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Education:

- 2002 - Ph.D. Student, Linguistics, University of Toronto
Candidacy achieved April 2006
Areas of Interest: Inuktitut, Syntax, Morphology, Complex Predicates, Ergativity, Case, Agreement, Syntax-PF Interface, Psycholinguistics, Speech Errors, Language Planning and Revitalization, Language and Identity
- Generals Paper I defended October, 2004
Area: Psycholinguistics
Title: The key to the cabinets are rusty and unhinged: The conceptual and functional effects of the predicate on agreement error rates.
Advisor: Ron Smyth, Readers: Elizabeth Cowper and Ana Teresa Pérez-Leroux
- Generals Paper II defended September 2005
Area: Syntax
Title: Inuktitut and switch-reference: A binding theoretic approach to non-canonical switch-reference
Advisor: Alana Johns, Readers: Elizabeth Cowper and Diane Massam
- 2002 M.A. in Linguistics, University of Toronto, Project Title: On the distribution and meaning of *all* in English, Advisor: Alana Johns, Reader: Diane Massam
- 2001 B.A. – Advanced with Distinction, University of Manitoba, Major: Linguistics, Minor: Psychology

Fellowships, Scholarships and Awards:

- 2006 – 2007 Ontario Graduate Scholarship..
- 2006 University of Toronto Foundation Graduate Award towards the cost of travel to present a paper at the 15th International Inuit Studies conference, Paris, France.

- 2005 Honourable Mention, Student Paper Contest at the 2005 annual meeting of the Canadian Linguistics Association at the Congress of the Social Sciences and Humanities, University of Western Ontario. Paper: Non-canonical switch-reference in Inuktitut.
- 2004 – 2006 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship.
- 2003 – 2004 University of Toronto Fellowship, University of Toronto.
- 2002 – 2003 Ontario Graduate Scholarship: Recipient of the Thomas and Beverley Simpson Award.
- 2002 – 2003 University of Toronto Fellowship, University of Toronto.
- 2002 – 2003 University of Toronto Fellowship, University of Toronto.
- 2001 – 2002 University of Toronto Fellowship, University of Toronto.
- 2001 Outstanding Graduating Student Award, University of Manitoba.
- 2000 University of Manitoba Students' Union Scholarship, University of Manitoba.
- 1999 University of Manitoba Students' Union Scholarship, University of Manitoba.
- 1998 – 2001 Dean's Honour List, University of Manitoba.

Academic Contributions:

Non-Refereed Publications:

- Pittman, C. To appear. Inuktitut restructuring affixes. In *Proceedings of the 2006 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Conference*. (Abstract refereed).
- Pittman, C. 2006. Restructuring the clause in Inuktitut. In *Proceedings of the 11th Workshop on Structure and Constituency in Languages of the Americas*, University of British Columbia Working Papers in Linguistics. (Abstract refereed).
- Pittman, C. 2005. Non-canonical switch-reference in Inuktitut. In *Proceedings of the 2005 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Conference*, ed. C. Gurski. (Abstract refereed).
- Pittman, C. & Smyth, R. 2005. The effect of the predicate on agreement error rates. In *Proceedings of the 2005 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Conference*, ed. Claire Gurski. (Abstract refereed).
- Pittman, C. 2004. The keys to the cabinets are rusty and unhinged: The conceptual and functional effects of the predicate on agreement error rates. *Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics*, 23.2.

- Barrie, M. & Pittman, C. 2004. Partial control and the movement towards movement. *Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics*, 22.
- Barrie, M. & Pittman, C. 2003. Non-obligatory control and the movement towards movement. In *Proceedings of the 2003 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Conference*, eds. S. Burrelle and S. Somesfalean, Cahiers Linguistiques d'Ottawa. (Abstract refereed).
- Pittman, C. 2003. Monosemy, stage-level predication and the adverb 'all'. In *Proceedings of the 2003 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Conference*, eds. S. Burrelle and S. Somesfalean, Cahiers Linguistiques d'Ottawa. (Abstract refereed).

Invited Speaker:

- Pittman, C. upcoming. Ergative case, clausal complementation and the Syntax-PF interface in Inuktitut. The 12th Workshop on Structure and Constituency in Languages of the Americas, Lethbridge, Alberta, March 30-April 2, 2007.
- Pittman, C. 2003. *All things considered*. Paper presented at the University of Manitoba, Department of Linguistics Colloquium Series.

Refereed Conference Presentations:

- Compton, R. & Pittman C. 2007. Affixation by phase: Inuktitut word-formation. Paper presented at the 2007 annual meeting of the Linguistics Society of America, Anaheim, California, January 4-7.
- Pittman, C. 2006. Complex verb formation revisited: Affixal verbs in Inuktitut and Nuu-chah-nulth. Paper presented at the 15th International Inuit Studies Conference: Orality in the XXIst Century - Inuit Discourse and Practices, Paris, France, October 26-28.
- Compton, R. & Pittman C. 2006. Affixhood is syntactically determined in Inuktitut. Paper presented at the Workshop on Theoretical Morphology, University of Leipzig, Germany, June 17-18.
- Pittman, C. 2006. Inuktitut restructuring affixes. Paper presented at the 2006 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Meeting, York University, Toronto, Ontario.
- Pittman, C. 2006. Restructuring the clause in Inuktitut. Poster presented at the 11th Workshop on Structure and Constituency in Languages of the Americas, University of British Columbia.
- Pittman, C. 2005. Non-canonical switch-reference in Inuktitut. Paper presented at the 2005 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Meeting, University of Western Ontario.

- Pittman, C. & Smyth, R. 2005. The effect of the predicate on agreement error rates. Paper presented at the 2005 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Meeting, University of Western Ontario.
- Herd, J. & Pittman, C. 2003. Prosodic conditioned ordering of predicate modifiers in Maori. Paper presented at the 2003 annual meeting of the Austronesian Formal Linguistics Association, Center for Korean Studies, University of Hawai'i at Manoa.
- Pittman, C. 2003. Monosemy, stage-level predication and the adverb 'all'. Paper presented at the 2003 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Meeting, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- Pittman, C. & Barrie, M. 2003. Non-obligatory control and the movement towards movement. Paper presented at the 2003 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Meeting, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia, Halifax.
- Pittman, C. 2002. Two kinds of switch-reference systems. Paper presented at the 2002 Canadian Linguistics Association Annual Meeting, Dalhousie University.

Non-Refereed Presentations:

- Pittman, C. 2006. Restructuring verbal affixes in Inuktitut. Poster presented at the Languages and Linguistics at the University of Toronto Poster Session.
- Pittman, C. 2004. The effect of the predicate on agreement error rates. Paper presented at the Markedness Workshop, Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto.
- Barrie, M. & Pittman, C. 2003. Control and non-finite complementation. Paper presented at the Midwinter Workshop, Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto.
- Pittman, C. 2002. Switch-reference: Syntactic or extrasyntactic? Paper presented at the Midwinter Binding Workshop, Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto.

Manuscripts:

- Barrie, M. & Pittman, C. Manuscript. Moving towards partial control. To be submitted to *Syntax* by April, 2007.
- Pittman, C & Smyth, R. Manuscript. Subject mis-selection and the effect of the predicate on agreement error rates. To be submitted to *Psychological Science* by March, 2007.

Research Activities:

Funded Projects:

- 2005 – 2006 School of Graduate Studies Travel Grant, University of Toronto, for support of graduate students conducting fieldwork, \$2131.
Project Title: Agreement systems and language change attitudes
Advisor: Alana Johns
Fieldwork Location: Iqaluit, Nunavut
- 2005 – 2006 Northern Scientific Training Program, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, for support of graduate students and costs related to research in the North, \$2500.
Project Title: Dialectal differences: Agreement systems and language change attitudes
Advisor: Alana Johns
Fieldwork Location: Iqaluit, Nunavut
- 2004 – 2005 Northern Scientific Training Program, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, for support of graduate students and costs related to research in the North, \$2 740.
Project Title: Dialectal differences in the switch-reference systems of Inuktitut
Advisor: Alana Johns
Fieldwork Location: Iqaluit, Nunavut
- 2003 – 2004 SIG and CRC Cluster Support grants, \$990.
Project Title: The influence of non-canonical agreement on agreement errors
Advisor: Ron Smyth

Research Assistantships:

- 2004 - 2005 Research Assistant, Supervisor: Alana Johns, Project: Inuktitut Syntax, University of Toronto.
- 2003 - 2004 Research Assistant, Supervisor: Alana Johns, Project: Inuktitut Syntax, University of Toronto.
- 2001 – 2002 Research Assistant, Supervisors: Henry Rogers and Ron Smyth
Project: Gay Speech, University of Toronto.
- 1999 – 2000 Research Assistant, Supervisor: John G. Adair, Project: International Psychology, University of Manitoba.

Teaching Experience:

- 2007 (Winter) Instructor, LIN200, Introduction to Language, University of Toronto.
- 2006 (Fall) Instructor, LINB05, Practical Language Analysis: Morphology, University of Toronto Scarborough Campus.
- 2006 (Summer) Instructor, LIN204: English Grammar, University of Toronto.
- 2006 (Winter) Instructor, LIN204: English Grammar, University of Toronto.
- 2004 (Fall) Teaching Assistant, LINA01: General Linguistics, Supervisor: Deborah James, University of Toronto Scarborough Campus.
- 2003 (Fall) Teaching Assistant, LIN231: Morphological Patterns, Supervisor: Alana Johns, University of Toronto.
- 2003 (Spring) Grader, LIN203: English Words, Supervisor: Arsalan Kahnemuyipour, University of Toronto.
- 2001 – 2002 Teaching Assistant, LIN100: Introduction to General Linguistics, Supervisors: Abdel-Khalig Ali and Gabriela Alboiu, University of Toronto.
- 2000 – 2001 Teaching Assistant, 126.120: Introduction to Linguistics, Supervisors: H. C. Wolfart and Lorna A. MacDonald, University of Manitoba.

Professional Service:

- 2006 – 2007 Graduate Student Representative, SIG/CRC Research Funding Committee.
- 2006 – 2007 Social Coordinator, Linguistics Graduate Course Union, University of Toronto.
- 2006 Volunteer, International Conference of East Asian Linguistics, University of Toronto.
- 2005 – 2006 Treasurer, Linguistics Graduate Course Union, University of Toronto.
- 2005 Volunteer, The 10th Workshop on Structure and Constituency in Languages of the Americas, University of Toronto.
- 2004 – 2005 Social Coordinator, Linguistics Graduate Course Union, University of Toronto.
- 2004 – 2005 Senior Forum Organizer, Linguistics Graduate Course Union, University of Toronto.
- 2003 – 2004 Social Coordinator, Linguistics Graduate Course Union, University of Toronto.
- 2002 – 2003 Events Secretary, Linguistics Graduate Course Union, University of Toronto.

2002 – 2003 Graduate Space Coordinator, Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto.

2001 – 2002 Guest Speaker Committee, Department of Linguistics, University of Toronto.

Languages:

English: native fluency

French: complete fluency

Spanish: reading (limited)

Inuktitut: spoken (limited)