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Education

University of Pennsylvania

PHD PROGRAM IN PSYCHOLOGY, LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION SCIENCES CERTIFICATE

• Advisor: John Trueswell

Philadelphia, PA

Aug. 2019 - ongoing

University of Pennsylvania

M.S. IN PSYCHOLOGY

Philadelphia, PA

2021

Swarthmore College

B.A. IN PSYCHOLOGY AND COGNITIVE SCIENCE, HIGH HONORS

Swarthmore, PA

Aug. 2013 - May. 2017

Honors & Awards

2021	Paula Menyuk Award , Boston University Conference on Language Development, awarded to students who are first authors on top-rated abstracts
2020	Mellon Graduate Fellow , Andrew W. Mellon Foundation
2019	Fontaine fellow , Penn Fontaine Fellowship Program
2017	High honors in Cognitive Science , Swarthmore College
2014-2017	HHMI Summer Research Funding , Howard Hughes Medical Institute
2015	Sigma Xi induction , Sigma Xi
2013	Questbridge Scholar , Questbridge

Publications

- de Carvalho, A., **Gomes, V.**, & Trueswell, J. (in prep). English-learning preschoolers can correctly parse and interpret negative sentences to guide their interpretations of novel noun and verb meanings. *Language Acquisition*.
- Knowlton, T., & **Gomes, V.** (2022). Linguistic and non-linguistic cues to acquiring the strong distributivity of each. In *Proceedings of the linguistic society of america* (Vol. 7).
- Gomes, V.**, & de Carvalho, A. (2019). “Look up!” Using easy words to explain how we learn hard words and other aspects of language, an interview with Lila Gleitman. *Revista Lingüística*, 14(3), 12–20.
- Gomes, V.**, Huh, Y., & Trueswell, J. (2020). Not what you expect: The relationship between violation of expectation and negation. In *Proceedings for the 42nd annual meeting of the cognitive science society* (pp. 338–342).
- Gomes, V.**, Huh, Y., & Trueswell, J. (in prep). Event failures provide strong grounds for inferences of negation in description.

Conference Talks

- Knowlton, T. and **Gomes, V.** (2022), Linguistic and non-linguistic cues to acquiring the strong distributivity of “each”, Talk presented at the *Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Annual Meeting*.
- Gomes, V.**, Doherty, R., Smits, D., Goldin-Meadow, S., Trueswell, J., Feiman, R. (2021), Not as hard as it looks? Linguistic, and not conceptual, ability drives negation acquisition, Talk presented at the *46th Annual Boston University Conference on Language Development*.
- de Carvalho, A, **Gomes, V.**, and Trueswell, J. (2021), English-learning preschoolers use negative sentences to constrain novel word meanings of expectation and negation, Talk presented at the *34th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing*.
- Gomes, V.**, Huh, Y. and Trueswell, J. (2020), Not what you expect: The relationship between violation of expectation and negation, Talk presented at the *42nd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society*.

Conference Posters

Gomes, V., Huh, Y., Feiman, R., Goldin-Meadow, S., and Trueswell, J. (2020), Observing negation: Artificial and Naturalistic Human Simulation Paradigms, Talk presented at the *45th Annual Boston University Conference on Language Development*.

Other Experience

RESEARCH

University of Pennsylvania Language Learning Lab

RESEARCH SPECIALIST & LABORATORY MANAGER

- PIs: John Trueswell & Lila Gleitman

Swarthmore College EEG Lab

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- PIs: Les Sikos & Amanda Elam

Swarthmore Psycholinguistics Lab

RESEARCH ASSISTANT AND THESIS STUDENT

- PI: Daniel Grodner

Swarthmore College Neurobehavioral Psychopharmacology Lab

HEAD UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCHER

- PI: Allen Schneider

Philadelphia, PA

Apr. 2018 – Aug. 2019

Swarthmore, PA

Feb. 2015 – May. 2017

Swarthmore, PA

May. 2015 – May. 2017

Swarthmore, PA

Aug. 2013 – May. 2017

EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION

Lila R. Gleitman Undergraduate Summer Program in Interdisciplinary Mind & Brain Studies (mindCORE)

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Philadelphia, PA

Summers 2020–Present

College of Physicians, Mütter Museum

OUT4STEM PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Philadelphia, PA

Nov. 2018 – Present

Nautilus Magazine

EDITORIAL INTERN

New York, NY

Aug. 2017 – May. 2018

Teaching

University of Pennsylvania Psychology Department

TEACHING ASSISTANT

- Introduction to Developmental Psychology (Fall 2018)
- Introduction to Perception (Fall 2020)
- Language & Thought (Spring 2021)
- Introduction to Cognitive Science (Fall 2021)

Philadelphia, PA

Sept. 2018 – Present

Committees

2019-2021

Organizer, Integrated Language Sciences & Technology (ILST) Seminar

2019-

Student Representative, mindCORE Education Committee

Present

2021-

Member, Equity Committee, College of Physicians

Present