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Education

- **New York University** New York, NY
Ph.D., Linguistics 2022 (expected)
- **Michigan State University** East Lansing, Michigan
M.A., Linguistics 2017
 - Thesis: *Incremental processing effects in nominal compounds*
- **Illinois State University** Normal, Illinois
B.A. 2010
 - Major concentrations: Psychology, English studies
 - Minor concentrations: Cognitive Science, TESOL, French

Research Experience & Professional Development

- **NYU Neuroscience of Language Lab** New York, NY
Lab member Fall 2017 - present
- **NYU Child Language Lab** New York, NY
Lab member Fall 2017 - present
- **Genetics and the Neurobiology of Language** Cold Spring Harbor, NY
Intensive summer course student Summer 2018
- **MSU Neurolinguistics Lab** East Lansing, MI
Lab member Fall 2014 - Spring 2017
- **MSU Semantics Group** East Lansing, MI
Lab member Spring 2015
- **Illinois State University Psycholinguistics Lab** Normal, IL
Undergraduate Research Assistant Spring 2009 - Fall 2009

Publications

- Durvasula, K. & Parrish, A. (2019) Is there phonological feature priming? *Linguistics Vanguard*.
- Parrish, A. & Feldscher C. (2018) On the structure of splitting verbs in Yoruba. *Proceedings of the 47th Annual Conference on African Linguistics*.

Manuscripts – unpublished & in progress

- [under review] Parrish, A., Kelley, P., Smith, K., Cong, Y. & Beretta, A. Perceptual asymmetry corresponds to an asymmetry in structural prediction: An ERP study of the effects of prosodic lengthening in English nominal compounds.
- [in prep.] Parrish, A. & Durvasula, K. *Evidence against phonological and phonetic feature priming.*
- [in prep.] Parrish, A. & Pytkänen, L. *The effects of plausibility and syntactic manipulations on conceptual combination.*
- [in prep.] Parrish, A., Jalbert, J. & Beretta, A. Plausibility effects in the comprehension of verbal arguments in globally plausible contexts.
- Parrish, A. (2017) Incremental processing effects in nominal compounds. Unpublished MA thesis, Michigan State University.

Presentations

- [upcoming] Parrish, A. & Pytkänen, L. (2019, August) *Composition without syntax or plausibility: LATL conceptual combination occurs in the absence of syntactic phrase closure or semantic plausibility.* Poster to be presented at the 11th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Neurobiology of Language, Helsinki, Finland.
- Parrish, A. & Pytkänen, L. (2019, June) *Early conceptual combination occurs in the absence of syntactic phrase closure.* Talk presented at the workshop Psycholinguistics in Iceland: Parsing & Prediction (PiPP), Reykjavík, Iceland.
- Smith, K., Parrish, A. & Beretta, A. (2019, June) *Predictions, commitments, and revisions in Icelandic split-head compound processing.* Talk presented at the workshop Psycholinguistics in Iceland: Parsing & Prediction (PiPP), Reykjavík, Iceland.
- Parrish, A. & Durvasula, K. (2018, January) *Does priming tap into phonological features?.* Poster presented at The 92nd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Salt Lake City, UT, USA.
- Parrish, A. (2017, December) *An ERP study of working memory effects as they build across consecutive nominal constituents.* Talk presented at the SYNC 2017, Yale University, New Haven, CT, USA.
- Parrish, A., Smith, K., & Beretta, A. (2017, November). *Incremental working memory effects across consecutive nominal constituents: An ERP study.* Poster presented at The 9th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Neurobiology of Language, Baltimore, MD, USA.
- Parrish, A., Kelley, P., Smith, K., Cong, Y. & Beretta, A. (2017, November). *Prosodic lengthening and boundary prediction in nominal compounds: An ERP study.* Poster presented at The 9th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Neurobiology of Language, Baltimore, MD, USA.
- Smith, K., Parrish, A. & Beretta, A. (2017, November). *Incremental commitment and revision in Icelandic compound processing.* Poster presented at The 9th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Neurobiology of Language, Baltimore, MD, USA.

- Parrish, A. (2017, February). *Incremental effects of gender agreement in nominal compounds - An ERP study*. Talk presented at the Graduate Linguistics Expo At Michigan State, East Lansing, Michigan, USA.
- Parrish, A., Kelley, P., Smith, K., Gagné, C., & Beretta, A. (2016, October). *Nominal Compounds: Relational Frequency Effects in Sentential Contexts*. Poster presented at The Tenth International Conference on the Mental Lexicon, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
- Parrish, A., Kelley, P., & Beretta, A. (2016, August). *Plausibility and Agreement Effects of Adjectives on Noun-Noun Compounds in Icelandic: An ERP Study*. Poster presented at The 8th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Neurobiology of Language, London, England.
- Parrish, A., Kelley, P., & Beretta, A. (2016, April). *Interactions of plausibility and gender agreement in nominal compounds: An ERP study of adjective-driven split-head interpretations of Icelandic noun-noun compounds*. Poster presented at the Cognitive Science Program Spring Poster Session, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA.
- Parrish, A. (2016, April). *Vikings who gulp beer mugs*. Talk presented at the Linguistics and Languages Alumni Reunion, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA.
- Parrish, A. & Feldscher C. (2016, March). *The adverb “tún” and insights into Yoruba splitting verbs*. Poster presented at the 47th Annual Conference of African Linguistics, University of California Berkeley, Berkeley, California, USA.
- Parrish, A. (2016, February). *Semantic plausibility and prediction in English noun-noun compounds*. Talk given at the Graduate Linguistics Expo At Michigan State, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA.
- Parrish, A., Durvasula, K. & Beretta, A. (2015, October). *The processing of compounds: Behavioral and ERP investigations*. Talk presented at the Cognitive Science Forum, Psychology Department, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA.
- Parrish, A., Jalbert, J. & Beretta, A. (2015, October). *Head commitment and plausibility in English noun-noun compounds*. Poster presented at The 7th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Neurobiology of Language, Chicago, IL, USA.

Professional, Teaching, & Leadership Experience

- **Community Help in Park Slope** Brooklyn, NY
Volunteer with the Frances Residency Program March 2018 - present
- **The Listening Ear Crisis Intervention Center** Lansing, MI
Volunteer July, 2015 - July 2017
 - April 2016 - July 2017: Training staff
 - November 2015 - March 2017: Publicity coordinator
 - July 2015 - July 2017: Crisis counselor
- **MSU Cognitive Science Program** East Lansing, MI
Program Assistant August 2014 - August 2017
- **Heartland Alliance** Chicago, IL
Volunteer ESL Teacher January 2014 - July 2014
- **Private Tutoring** Chicago, IL suburbs
Standardized Test Preparation Tutor September 2013 - February 2015

- **United States Peace Corps** Republic of Benin
Volunteer *July 2010 - August 2013*
 - August 2012 - August 2013: Population Services International Technical Assistant
 - July 2010 - August 2012: English teacher
- **Illinois State University** Normal, IL
Undergraduate Teaching Assistant *Fall 2008 & Spring 2009*
- **Metcalf Junior High** Normal, IL
Volunteer Circus Coach *September 2007 - April 2010*

Awards & Honors

- **Graduate School of Arts and Sciences** New York University
McCracken Fellowship *2017-2022*
- **New York University** New York, NY
Dean's travel grant *Fall 2017, Fall 2019*
- **Presidential Volunteer Service Award** Washington, D.C.
Gold Level Award *September 2017*
- **Cognitive Science Program** Michigan State University
Summer Research Fellowship Award *Summer 2015*
- **Illinois State University** Normal, IL
Graduated Magna Cum Laude *Spring 2010*
- **Illinois State University** Normal, IL
"Grammie Award" for outstanding work in Linguistics *Spring 2009*

Professional Service

- Conference abstract reviewing
 - Psycholinguistics in Iceland: Parsing & Prediction Spring 2019
 - SYNC annual conference Fall 2017, 2018
 - GLEEFUL Undergraduate Linguistics Conference (Michigan State University) Spring 2016, Spring 2017
- Conference organization
 - Hospitality committee co-chair, New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAY) 47 Fall 2017 - Fall 2018
 - Organizing Committee Member, Graduate Linguistics Expo at Michigan State (GLEAMS) Fall 2015 - Spring 2017
 - Organizing Committee Member, 21st Mid-Continental Phonetics and Phonology Conference (Michigan State University) Fall 2015 - Fall 2016
- Committee service
 - Student liaison, Program Committee, Linguistics Society of America Summer 2019 - present

- Vice President, Linguistics Association at NYU (LANYU) Fall 2018 - Spring 2019
- Colloquium committee co-chair, Michigan State University Linguistics Student Association
Fall 2016 - Spring 2017
- Graduate Judiciary Committee Member, Michigan State University Council of Graduate
Students Fall 2016 - Spring 2017
- Full Council Representative, Michigan State University Council of Graduate Students Fall
2016 - Spring 2017
- Treasurer, Linguistics Student Organization (Michigan State University) Fall 2015 - Spring
2016
- Scribe, Linguistics Student Organization (Michigan State University) Fall 2015 - Spring 2016
- Undergraduate relations
 - Mentor to undergraduate researcher, University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum
(Michigan State University) Spring 2016
 - Student judge, University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum (Michigan State
University) Spring 2015, Spring 2017
- Professional memberships
 - Linguistics Society of America
 - Society for the Neurobiology of Language

Technical Skills

- Language skills
 - English: Native
 - French: Advanced High
- Computer skills
 - Software: PsychoPy, Praat, Excel, ASA
Lab
 - Scripting: R, Python, L^AT_EX
- Experimental Methods
 - MEG
 - ERP (RSVP and auditory)
 - Self-paced reading
 - Priming (cross-modal and uni-modal)
 - Acceptability judgment survey (child
and adult participants)
 - Lexical decision task
 - Sensicality judgment task