

Tessa Scott

Curriculum Vitae

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Appointments

University of California Berkeley

2023– **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Future of Higher Education Program

Education

2023 **PhD, Linguistics**, *University of California Berkeley*

Designated Emphasis in Indigenous Language Revitalization

Dissertation: Pronouns and agreement in San Juan Aititán Mam.

Amy Rose Deal (co-chair), Peter Jenks (co-chair), Line Mikkelsen, Patricia Baquedano-Lopez.

2018 **MA, Linguistics**, *University of California Berkeley*

Thesis: Two types of Resumptive Pronouns in Swahili

2016 **BA, Linguistics**, *University of Kansas*

Thesis: Amba relative clauses in Swahili

Minors: Philosophy, African and African American Studies

Publications

Articles

2021 **Scott, T.** Two Types of Resumptive Pronouns in Swahili. *Linguistic Inquiry*, 5 (4): 812 – 833. https://doi.org/10.1162/ling_a_00397

2020 **Scott, T.** Pronominal licensing in Mam. In NELS 50: Proceedings of the Fiftieth Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society, vol. 3, eds. Mariam Asatryan, Yixiao Song, & Ayana Whitmal, 127-140. <https://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/005832>

2019 **Scott, T.** Second position clitic placement in Mam (Mayan). In NELS 49: Proceedings of the Forty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society, vol. 3, eds. Maggie Baird & Jonathan Pesetsky, 117-126. <https://ling.auf.net/lingbuzz/004950>

2019 Gould, I. and **T. Scott.** On the derivation of Swahili amba relative clauses: Evidence for movement. In *Theory and description in African Linguistics (4): Selected papers from the 47th Annual Conference on African Linguistics*. eds. Emily Clem, Peter Jenks, Hannah Sande. Language Science Press, 441-462. DOI:10.5281/zenodo.3367173

Archive collections and edited volumes

2023 Henry Sales, Silvia Lucrecia Carrillo Godínez, and **Tessa Scott.** Documentary Materials on Mam, 2020-15, California Language Archive, Survey of California and Other Indian Languages, University of California, Berkeley.

2019 Amiri Kiongoli, Habiba Kiongoli, Saidi Binseifu Kusokuwa, Shanti S. Mzou, and **Tessa Scott.** Ndengeleko Fieldwork Collection, 2017-10, California Language Archive, Survey of California and Other Indian Languages, University of California, Berkeley. <http://dx.doi.org/doi:10.7297/X23F4MS7>

- 2018 Garvin, Karee; Hermalin, Noah; Melguy, Yevgeniy; Michael, Lev; **Scott, Tessa**; Wilbanks, Eric (2018). Berkeley Field Methods: Mam. Survey of California and Other Indian Languages. Digital Resource. Berkeley, University of California. <http://dx.doi.org/doi:10.7297/X2XP73JW>
- 2018 Garvin, Karee, Noah Hermalin, Myriam Lapierre, Yevgeniy Melguy, **Tessa Scott**, Eric Wilbanks (eds.). Proceedings of the 44th Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society (BLS44). Berkeley, CA. http://linguistics.berkeley.edu/bls/previous_proceedings/BLS44_proceedings.pdf
- Press
- in prep “Language Revitalization in Oakland: A Visual Interview with Tessa Scott.” UC Berkeley Social Science Matrix.
- Feb 21, 2022 “Keeping Alive Our Indigenous Cultures on Mother Language Day.” Published by Berkeley Research, Public Affairs. <https://vcresearch.berkeley.edu/news/keeping-alive-our-indigenous-cultures-mother-language-day>
- April 6, 2021 “Qo xnaq’tzan tuj tzalajb’il tu’ntzan tjaw ch’iw qchwinqlal: We teach with happiness for a better future.” With Henry Sales. Center for Latin American Studies, UC Berkeley. <https://clasberkeley.wpcomstaging.com/2021/04/06/qo-xnaqtzan-tuj-tzalajbil-tuntzan-tjaw-chiw-qchwinqlal-we-teach-with-happiness-for-a-better-future/>

Presentations

Invited Talks

- 2023 Berman, H., Long, S. S., **Scott, T.**, Shaughnessy, M., Jensen, A. Working Conditions: Challenges and Strategies for Teaching, Retaining, and Staffing LOTE (Languages other than English) Programs. Panel discussion at the 2023 Modern Languages Association (MLA) Convention. San Francisco, California.
- 2021 **Scott, T.** Object licensing in San Juan Atitán Mam. McGill Syntax and Semantics Reading Group. Montreal, Canada.
- 2020 **Scott, T.** Dialectal variation in Mam ergativity. Working group on languages of Mesoamerica. Santa Cruz, CA.
- 2020 **Scott, T.** Dialectal variation in Mam syntax. Fieldwork Forum, UC Berkeley.
- 2019 **Scott, T.** Case and Agreement in Mam. Working group on languages of Mesoamerica. Santa Cruz, CA.
- 2018 **Scott, T.** Syntactic deletion within resumptive pronouns in Swahili. Talk. Stanford Syntax and Morphology Circle.
- 2017 **Scott, T.** Syntactic and morpho-phonological mechanisms of resumptive pronouns. Talk. UC Berkeley Syntax and Semantics Circle.

By abstract review

- 2023 **Scott, T.** Reduced pronouns in San Juan Atitán Mam. WSCLA. McGill University, Montreal, Canada.
- 2021 **Scott, T.** and Sales, H. Object licensing in San Juan Atitán Mam. Form and Analysis in Mayan Linguistics (FAMLi6). Chiapas, Mexico.
- 2021 **Scott, T.** Formalizing three types of mixed A/ \bar{A} agreement. Move and Agree: Forum on the formal typology of \bar{A} agreement. Hosted virtually by the University of British Columbia and McGill University.

- 2021 Mendez, Cristina, Henry Sales Hernandez and **T. Scott**. Maya Mam language and culture revitalization in a diaspora community. 3rd Symposium on Indigenous Languages and Cultures of Latin America.
- 2020 **Scott, T.** Two types of "composite" probes. Talk. WCCFL 38. Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- 2020 **Scott, T.** Inclusivity in Mam morphosyntax: consequences for feature theory. Poster. LSA 94. New Orleans, LA.
- 2019 **Scott, T.** Pronominal licensing in Mam (Mayan). Talk. NELS 50. Boston, MA.
- 2019 Lapiere, Myriam, **Tessa Scott**, Karee Garvin. Morphologically conditioned subsegmental subtraction in Mam. Talk. CILLA. Austin, TX.
- 2019 **Scott, T.** Conjoint/disjoint alternation and linearization in Ndengeleko. Poster presented at LSA 2019. New York, NY.
- 2018 **Scott, T.** Anti-clitic host requirement on second position clitic in SJA-Mam. Poster presented at NELS 49. Ithaca, NY.
- 2018 **Scott, T.** Two types of resumptive pronouns in Swahili. Talk. WOCAL 9. Rabat, Morocco.
- 2018 **Scott, T.** Extraction Morphology and Relative clauses in Mam. Talk. WSCLA 23. Ottawa, Ontario.
- 2018 **Scott, T.** Syntactic deletion within resumptive pronouns in Swahili. Talk. ACAL 49. Lansing, MI.
- 2018 **Scott, T.** Obligatory Resumptive Pronouns in Swahili. Talk. LSA 92. Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2016 Gould, Isaac and **Tessa Scott**. On the derivation of Swahili amba relative clauses Evidence for movement. Talk. ACAL 47. Berkeley, CA.
- 2015 **Scott, T.** The Effect of Syllable Structure and Minimality on Arabic and English Loanwords in Swahili. Talk. Tri-College Undergraduate Linguistics Conference. Haverford, PA.

Teaching Experience

Graduate Student Instructor (GSI) duties: *Designing and teaching weekly discussion sections, grading.*

Instructor and Co-instructor duties: *Designing and teaching lectures, lessons, curriculum, and evaluations; grading; giving feedback on student writing.*

UC Berkeley

- Sum 2021-23 Mam. Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) at UC Berkeley. Role: Co-instructor.
- Fall 2020 LING R1B. Endangered languages: Why does linguistic diversity matter? Role: Instructor. Remote instruction. Enrollment: 18
- Sum 2020 LING 122. Linguistic Typology. Role: Instructor. Reader: Emily Drummond. Remote instruction. Enrollment: 23
- Spr 2020 LING 5. Language and Linguistics. Instructor: Larry Hyman. Role: GSI. Enrollment: 47
- Spr 2019 LING 120. Syntax. Instructor: Peter Jenks. Role: GSI. Enrollment: 50
- Fall 2018 LING 100. Introduction to Linguistic Science. Instructor: Peter Jenks. Role: GSI. Enrollment in my sections: 36
- Fall 2017 LING 100. Introduction to Linguistic Science. Instructor: Peter Jenks. Role: GSI. Enrollment in my sections: 42

Advising

Graduate Student Mentor for the Linguistics Research Apprentice Practicum: Matches Linguistics graduate mentors with undergraduate research apprentices. LRAP provides graduate students with research advising and mentoring experience and gives undergraduates the opportunity to participate in original linguistic research.

- 2019-present Project: Mam language class. Apprentice: Samba Kane. Past apprentices: Kenneth Gallanosa, Loriane Fan, Jay Urbano-Gonzalez, Nina Sirna, Yanira Garcia, Marisa Benedito, Maria Zarate, Xingyue Tu
- 2018-2020 Project: Ndengeleko Documentation and Syntax project. Apprentices: Mariel Aquino, Fatima Cacho, Dylan Goldfine-Middleton, Talya Zalipsky
- 2020 Project: Dialectal variation in Mam. Apprentice: Amit Milo.

Work experience

- 2019–2022 **Curriculum design and instruction** *Independent.*
Co-instructor of Mam language and culture courses. Designed and disseminated language learning materials. Held free in-person and virtual classes. Materials: mamclass.com
- 2022 **Youth specialist.** *Americorps.*
Supported students at the country's first Newcomer Continuation High School by aiding in the classroom, delivering phonics instructions, encouraging native language development.
- 2018–2020 **Rules Officer for the Graduate Assembly.** *UC Berkeley.*
Held a leadership role in the graduate student government by facilitating monthly Rules Committee meetings, overseeing committee members tasks, reviewing each action of the Assembly and ensuring all aspects comply with the Charter and the Bylaws.
- 2017 **Linguistics tutor.** *Freelance.*
Provided study support, feedback on assignments, as well as additional lessons to students taking university level linguistics classes.
- 2014 – 2015 **Writing center consultant and mentor.** University of Kansas Writing Center.
- 2015 – 2016 **Linguistics Tutor.** University of Kansas Athletics.
- 2013 **Tutor in math, astronomy, philosophy.** *University of Kansas Supportive Educational Services (SES).*

Grants & Honors

Grants

- 2020-2021 **\$5,000.** Strong Workforce Program, California Community Colleges (SWP, CCC). Grant to develop courses in Mam language and culture at Laney College, full grant amount \$20,000. Role: Advisory Committee member and linguistic consultant.
- 2019-2022 **\$5,237.** Oswald Endangered Language Grant: San Juan Atitan Mam, Department of Linguistics, UC Berkeley.
- 2017-2019 **\$13,455.** Oswald Endangered Language Grant (three individual grants): Ndengeleko, Department of Linguistics, UC Berkeley.

Fellowships

- 2022 – 2023 UC Dissertation Year Fellowship. University of California.
- 2021 – 2022 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, UC Berkeley.

- 2016 – 2019 Regents Fellowship for Graduate Study, Graduate Division, UC Berkeley.
2016 Dr. Prentice Gautt Postgraduate Scholarship, University of Kansas.
2015 – 2016 Foreign Language and Areal Studies (FLAS) Fellowship (Swahili), University of Kansas.
2015 Intensive Advanced Swahili Program in Tanzania, Fulbright-Hayes Group Projects Abroad.
2015 Michigan Humanities Emerging Research Scholar, University of Michigan.

Awards

- 2021 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley.
2016 NCAA Woman of the Year Nominee. University of Kansas Rowing.
2013 Excellence in Writing Award. University of Kansas English Department.

Service

Book and journal article reviewing

- 2019-2021 Cambridge University Press, Glossa

Conference and forum organization

- 2017-2019 UC Berkeley Syntax and Semantics Circle, BLS 45: Workshop on Countability, BLS 44

Conference abstract reviewing

- 2016-2019 BLS 45: Workshop on Countability, BLS 44, BLS 43

Languages

- Native English
Intermediate Spanish, Mam, Swahili
Fieldwork Swahili (Bantu), Ndengeleko (Bantu), Mam (Mayan)

Skills

Software

FLEx, Elan, L^AT_EX, Audacity, Google Workspace, Microsoft Office, Adobe Acrobat, Canva, Zoom, iMovie