

Curriculum Vitae

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Professional Record

- Sept. 2003-May 2009 Assistant Professor of Linguistics.
University of Southern California, Department of Linguistics.
- May 2009-Sept. 2015 Associate Professor of Linguistics.
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Department of Linguistics.
- Sept.2015-present Associate Professor of Linguistics.
Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Department of Linguistics.

Academic Record

- 1998-2003 Ph.D. Linguistics. **Department of Linguistics and Philosophy,**
Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
Dissertation: *Why 'Even' Ask? On the Pragmatics of Questions and the Semantics of Answers.*
Supervisor: Irene Heim.
Other committee members: Kai von Fintel, Daniel Fox, and Utpal Lahiri.
- June 1997 “Tesi di Laurea”, Philosophy, Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy.
(*Summa cum laude*)
Thesis Title: *Negative Polarity and Logical Form.*
Supervisor: Gennaro Chierchia.
Co-advisor: Andrea Bonomi.
- 1992-1997 Laurea in Philosophy
Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy.
- Fall 95-Spring 96 Erasmus Exchange Student, Linguistics Department
University of Groningen, the Netherlands.
Supervisor: Frans Zwarts.

Areas of Specialization

Formal semantics
Formal pragmatics
Syntax-semantics and semantics-pragmatics interfaces

Fellowships, Awards and Nominations

- 2006 Department Nominee for the USC Junior Raubenheimer Award.
- 1999 Grant sponsored by the European Union to attend the G.L.O.W. Summer School.
- 1998-1999 Ida Green Fellowship (Massachusetts Institute of Technology): competitive Institute fellowship awarded annually to 4 women (senior MIT, or non-MIT women entering a graduate program).
- 1997 Fellowship sponsored by the European Union and Regione Lombardia to attend a master in Marketing Management. (An award assigned to scholars on a competitive basis.)
- 1996 F.I.S.D.E. Scholarship assigned to undergraduate students on a competitive basis.
- 1995 Fellowship sponsored by the European Union Grant for the Erasmus exchange Program. (One year salary.)

Publications

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL AND BOOK ARTICLES

- 2022 Guerzoni, E. "On Karttunen's 'The syntax and semantics of questions' ". *Studies in Linguistics and Philosophy* 100. Editors: Cleo Condoravdi, Louise McNally , and Zoltan Szabo. Springer: The Netherlands. ISSN: 0924-4662
- 2014 Guerzoni, E. and Y. Sharvit. "Whether or not Anything but not Whether Anything or not", *The Art and Craft of Semantics: A Festschrift for Irene Heim*, p. 199-224, MTWIPL Publisher. Editors: Luka Crnić and Uli Sauerland.
- 2007 Guerzoni, E and Y. Sharvit. "A Question of Strength: On NPIs in Interrogative Clauses", *Linguistics and Philosophy* 30.3: 361-391. Springer: The Netherlands.
- 2006 Guerzoni, E. "Intervention Effects on NPIs and Feature Movement: Towards a Unified Account of Intervention", *Natural Language Semantics* 14.4:359-398. Springer: The Netherlands.
- 2004 Guerzoni, E. "Even-NPIs in yes/no Questions", *Natural Language Semantics* 12.4 Springer: The Netherlands. 319-343.

BOOK PROJECT (AS COAUTHOR)

In progress Guerzoni, E. and Y. Sharvit. *You can Ask Whatever You Want: A general Introduction to The Semantics of Questions*. (Oxford University Press)

EDITED BOOKS

2001 Guerzoni, E. and O. Matushansky (eds.) *A Few from Building E39. Papers in Syntax, Semantics and their Interface*. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics, vol. 39.

ARTICLES IN PEER REVIEWED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

2007 Guerzoni, E. “Weak Exhaustivity and *Whether*: A Pragmatic Approach”, *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) XVII*. Ithaca, NY: CLC Publications. 112-139.

2007 Guerzoni, E. and D. Lim. “*Even if*, Factivity and Focus”, *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 11*. E. Puig-Waldmüller (ed.). Barcelona: Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 276-290.

2004 Alonso Ovalle, L. and E. Guerzoni. “Double Negatives, Negative Concord and Metalinguistic Negation”, *Proceedings of CLS 38.1: The Main Session*. Mary Androni, Erin Debenport, Anne Pycha and Keiko Yoshimura (eds.). Chicago Linguistic Society Publications, Chicago, IL. 15-31.

2003 Guerzoni, E and Y. Sharvit. “Reconstruction and its Problems”, *Fourteenth Amsterdam Colloquium. Proceedings* Paul Dekker and Robert van Rooy (eds.), ILLC, Amsterdam (NL). 205-210.

2003 Guerzoni, E. “*Even* and Minimizer NPIs in Wh-Questions”, *Proceedings of the 31st Western Conference On Linguistics. WECOL 2002. Volume 14*. Agbayani, Brian, Paivi Koskinen and Vida Samiian (eds.). Fresno CA. 99-111.

2001 Guerzoni, E. “*Even*-NPIs in Questions”, *Thirteenth Amsterdam Colloquium. Proceedings*. Robert van Rooy and Martin Stokhof (eds.), ILLC, Amsterdam (NL). 102-107.

2001 Guerzoni, E. “*Even*-NPIs in Questions”, *Proceedings of NELS (North Eastern Linguistic Society) 32*. Masako Hirotani (ed.). GLSA Publishers. Amherst, MA.153-170.

2000 Guerzoni, E. “Towards a Movement-based Account of the Locality Constraints on NPIs”, *Proceedings of CONSOLE 8*. Chirsitne Czinglar, Katharina Köler, Erika Thrift, Erik van der Torre & Malte Zimmerman (eds.) SOLE Publishers, Leiden (NL).125-138.

MANUSCRIPTS FOR SUBMISSION

In progress Dikmen, Furkan, E. Guerzoni and Ö. Demirok. *A Monster Can Shake Your Grounds. On Turkish “Hani”*.

In progress Guerzoni, E. “Stress in The Italian Verb System: A morphology-driven Account”. For submission to *Glossa*.

Talks

INVITED KEY NOTE ADDRESSES

- 2018 “Also...only: The scope theory of minimizer NPIs” Keynote Address at the Boğaziçi University Student Conference.
- 2013 “-Whether or not-, ...or not?” Keynote address at the annual meeting of the Korean Society of Language and Information. Hongik University, Seoul (Korea).
- 2011 “Intervention effects, Negative Polarity and Alternative Questions” (preliminary title)
Invited Speaker at the Workshop “Intervention Effects from a Semantic Perspective.
April 27, 2011 *GLOW (Generative Linguistics in the Old World) 34*, University of Vienna (Austria). April 27, 2011.
- 2007 “The Scope of Scalarity, Additivity and Exclusivity in the Composition of Some NPIs.”
Invited Speaker at the Symposium “Semantic/Pragmatic Perspective on Negative Polarity Items.” *2007 Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America*, Anaheim, CA. January 6th, 2007.
- 2005 “When *Even* is *Also Only*”. Invited Speaker at the Workshop *Polarity from Different Perspectives*, sponsored by the Department of Linguistics, New York University. March 12, 2005.
- Commentator on “Embedded Pronouns” by Yael Sharvit at the second USC Workshop in Linguistics and Philosophy: *Syntax and Semantics with Attitude*. April 17, 2005.

INVITED TALKS

- 2015 “Whether or not NPIs in Questions”. With Yael Sharvit. Invited Talk at the *Workshop on Negation*. February 8-10, 2015, Hebrew University, Tel Aviv (Israel).
- 2012 “Questions on Negation in Questions”. Research Colloquium. University of Texas Austin. April 13, 2012.
- 2009 “Negative Concord, Presupposition and Focus. ” Research Colloquium. University of Connecticut. Storrs, October 2, 2009.
- 2008 “Focus Particles, Presupposition Projection and Negative Polarity.” University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. March 4, 2008.
- 2006 “The Scope of Scalarity and Concessivity: On *Even*, *Only* and *Even if*.” University of Tübingen. (Germany). November 27, 2006.
- “The Scope of Scalarity and Concessivity: On *Even*, *Only* and *Even If*.” University of Milano, Bicocca (Italy). *BILL Seminar Series*. December 14, 2006.
- “Scalarity in Focus. A Study of Scalar Focus Particles and Polarity in Germanic and Romance Languages.” University of Konstanz (Germany). February 13, 2006.
- 2005 “Why *Even* Ask?” Research Colloquium. McGill University. Montreal, Canada. January 14, 2005.

- 2004 “Why *Even Ask?*” Research Colloquium, University of Wisconsin at Madison. May 2004.
- “Why *Even Ask?*” Research Colloquium, University of California Los Angeles. April 2004.
- 2003 “Interrogatives, Presupposition Projection and Bias”. University of Southern California.
- “Negative Concord: A Classic Puzzle in Romance Linguistics.” Dept. of Modern Languages and Linguistics, McMaster University, Hamilton, (Canada)

TALKS AT PEER REVIEWED CONFERENCES

- 2014 “NPIs in Questions, Disjunction and Ellipsis” with Yael Sharvit. GLOW 37, April 2nd -4th Brussels (Belgium).
- 2013 “-Whether or not anyone- but not -Whether anybody or not-.” 19th International Congress of Linguists, May 22nd-27th, 2013. Geneva (Switzerland)
- 2007 *Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 17*. University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT. ‘Weak Exhaustivity: a Pragmatic Account’. May, 11th, 2007.
- 2006 *Sinn und Bedeutung 11*. Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain. Paper coauthored with Dongsik Lim: ‘*Even if*, Factivity and Focus.’ Sept.23rd, 2006.
- The 2006 Milano Meeting*. Gargnano (Italy). Paper coauthored with Dongsik Lim: ‘*Even if*, Factivity and Focus.’ June 16th 2006.
- 2003 *The Fourteenth Amsterdam Colloquium*. Amsterdam (NL). Paper coauthored with Yael Sharvit: ‘Reconstruction and Its Problems.’ December 2003.
- Workshop on Polarity, Scalar Phenomena and Implicatures*, (With Yael Sharvit), Università degli Studi di Milano, Bicocca. ‘Question Embedding Predicates that Support Downward Inferences.’ June 2003.
- Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 13*. University of Washington Seattle (WA). ‘A Lahiri-type analysis of *Auch Nur* and *Anche Solo*.’ May, 2003.
- Les Journées Scientifiques, Sémantiques et Modélisation*. Paris, (France). Paper coauthored with Yael Sharvit: ‘NPIs in questions and Downward Entailingness.’ March 2003.
- 2002 *MIT, UConn, UMass Workshop in Semantics*. (With Yael Sharvit). Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA. ‘The *Wonders of Any*.’ November 2002.
- The Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL) 2002*. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, D.C. (Canada). ‘Minimizers, Questions and Exhaustivity.’ November 2002.
- Chicago Linguistic Society (CLS) 38*. (With Luis Alonso Ovalle). Chicago (IL). ‘Double Negatives, Negative Concord and Metalinguistic Negation.’ April 2002.
- 2001 *The North Eastern Linguistic Society (NELS) 32*. NYU & CUNY Graduate Center, New York. ‘*Even-NPIs* in Questions.’ October 2001.
- The XVII Incontro di Grammatica Generativa*, Trieste, Italy. ‘Italian N-words as NPIs.’ March 2001.

- 2000 *Going Romance*. 14th Symposium on Romance Linguistics, Utrecht Institute of Linguistics - OTS (UiL OTS) Holland Institute of Generative Linguistics (HIL). ‘Tense and Stress in Italian Verbs.’ December 2000.
- 1999 *The 8th Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe (CONSOLE 8)*, University of Vienna, Austria. ‘Towards a Movement-based Account of the Locality Constraints on NPIs.’

ALTERNATE AT PEER REVIEWED CONFERENCES

- 2003 *West Coast Conference in Formal Linguistics XII*. San Diego (CA). ‘Saying Not Even and Meaning Even Not: Compositionality and Scope.’ March 2003.
- 2001 *The Thirteenth Amsterdam Colloquium*. Amsterdam, NL. ‘Even NPIs in Questions.’ December 2001.

OTHER TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2015 *Questions Reflections*. 2th graduate seminar for the XXXI cycle of Ph.D. in Neurocognition and Philosophy of Mind. *NETS, IUSS Center for Neurocognition, Epistemology and Theoretical Syntax*. November 27th, Pavia (Italy)
- 2014 “Whether or not Anything but not Whether Anything or not” invited poster presentation with Y. Sharvit at the pre-*NELS* birthday celebration and Festschrift presentation for Irene Heim. MIT. Department of Linguistics and Philosophy. October 30th, 2014.
- 2005 “When *Even* is Also Only.” *Syntax+*. Department of Linguistics, USC. March.
- 2004 “Beyond Grice.” *Syntax+*. Department of Linguistics, USC. October.
- 2002 “Constituent Questions, *Even* and Exhaustivity.” *Syntax-Semantics Reading Group*, Dept. of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT. October.
- Double Negatives, Negative Concord and Metalinguistic Negation. (With Luis Alonso Ovalle.) *Syntax-Semantics Reading Group*, Dept. of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT. April.
- 2001 *Even-NPIs in Questions*. *Ling-lunch*, Dept. of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT. October.
Italian N-words as NPIs. *Syntax-Semantics Reading Group*, Dept. of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT. February.
- 1999 One More Sloppy Identity Puzzle. Presentation in the *LF-reading group*, Dept. of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT. April.

Service

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Grant Reviewer for the Institutions:

Panelist for The American Association of University Women (AAUW)
International Fellowship Awards

Panelist for the Standard Research Grants program of the
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

Editorial Board Member of the journals:

Semantics and Pragmatics (von Stechow, Kai and David Beaver eds., LSA)

Paper Reviewer for the Journals:

Natural Language Semantics (Springer)

Natural Language Semantics (Springer)

Semantics and Pragmatics

Journal of Semantics (Oxford University Press)

Linguistics and Philosophy (Springer)

Natural Language and Linguistic Theory (Springer)

Natural Language Semantics (Springer)

Journal of Comparative Germanic Linguistics (Springer)

Abstract and/or Paper reviewer for the Conferences

TU+

Semantics and Linguistic Theory

North East Linguistic Society

Western Conference of Linguistics

ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMITTEE SERVICE AT BOĞAZIÇI

Fall 2019-Present	MA program Advisor
Fall 2015- Present	PhD Program Advisor
Spring 2022	MA entrance exam committee (Chair)
Spring 2021	MA entrance exam committee (Chair)
Spring 2020	PhD entrance exam committee (Chair)
Spring 2018	Chair of the Linguistics Hiring Committee
Summer 2016	Substitute Department Chair

Teaching & Advising

COURSES AT BOĞAZIÇI UNIVERSITY

Ling 111 and Ling 101. Introduction to Linguistics (Undergraduate)
Ling 305 Semantics (Undergraduate)
Ling 504 Semantics (Graduate)
Ling 58c Special Topics in Advanced Semantics (Graduate)
Ling 58v Special Topics in Advanced Semantics (Graduate)
Ling 579 Linguistic Seminar (Graduate)
Ling 572 Directed Readings in Linguistics (Graduate)
Ling 570 Guided Studies in Linguistics (Graduate)
Ling 613 Presupposition and Implicature (Graduate)

COURSES AT USC

LING 210: Introduction to Linguistics (undergraduate)
LING 534: Logic and the Theory of Meaning (graduate)
LING 636: Seminar in Semantics (Graduate)
LING 110: In a Word (undergraduate)
LING 610: Seminar in Linguistic Theory (graduate)
LING 635: Seminar in Syntax (graduate)
LING 302: Introduction to Syntax and Semantics (undergraduate)

STUDENT ADVISING, PH.D. THESIS, QUALIFYING AND SCREENING COMMITTEES

Advisees and Theses:

Fall 2020- Present	Furkan Dikmen. (Phd coadvisor, in progress)
Fall 2020- Spring 2022	Ecem Baykus (MA thesis advisor, Completes) Thesis Title: “Turkish Indefinites: Scope and Specificity”.
Fall 2020- Present	Salih Selçuk Özgün (MA thesis advisor, in progress) Thesis Title: “The morpho-syntax and semantics of evidentiality in Turkish (for the umpteenth time)”.

- Fall 2018- Spring 2021 Kadernur Akpınar (MA Thesis Advisor and Committee Chair, completed)
Thesis Title: “Semantics of Turkish Free Conditionals”.
- Spring 2018-Fall 2021 Assem Amarinova (MA Thesis Advisor and Committee Chair, completed)
Thesis Title: “Kasakh *Esh*-words and Negative Concord”.
- Fall 2017-Spring 2019 Feyza Feliz (MA Thesis Advisor and Committee Chair, completed)
Thesis Title: “ A Unified Semantic Analysis for Negative Polarity *Kimse* and Free Choice *Bir Kimse*”.
- Spring '11- Fall 2013 Saurov Sayed (PhD Primary Advisor)
- Spring '06-Spring '10 Dongsik Lim (PhD Primary advisor and Thesis Committee Chair, completed)
Thesis Title: “Evidentials and Interrogatives: A case Study From Korean”.
- Spring '04-Fall '09 Erin Tavano (Ph.D Primary Advisor)
Spring '09-Fall '10 Erin Tavano (PhD. Co-advisor)
- Fall '05-Spring '06 Emma Cunningham (undergraduate co-advisor and referee)
(student admitted to the graduate programs in Linguistics at Brown, McGill and USC.)
- Fall 2003 Choon-Kyu Lee (undergraduate co-advisor and referee)
(student admitted to the graduate program in Psychology at Rutgers University and to the graduate program in Linguistics at UMASS Amherst.)

Organization of Workshops and Reading Groups

- LingDay*. Organizer, Boğaziçi University June 2016, May 2017
SemPra Supper, Semantics and Pragmatics Reading Group Department of Linguistics USC. Fall 2007-present.
- UCONN-UMASS-MIT Semantic Workshop*, Department of Linguistics, UCONN. (with Paul Elbourne and Lance Nathan). Fall 2002.
- Syntax-Semantics reading group*, Dept. of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT. (with Bridget Copley). 2000/ 2001.
- LF-reading group*. Dept. of Linguistics and Philosophy, MIT. (with Calixto Agüero-Bautista). 1999/2000.
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