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Curriculum Vitae ~ Summer 2024

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EDUCATION

- 2016- 2023 PhD. in General Linguistics, Indiana University Bloomington
 Dissertation: *Topics in Hakha Lai Nominal Marking*
 Committee Chair: Dr. Kelly Berkson
- 2013-2015 M.A. in General Linguistics, Indiana University Bloomington
- 2006-2010 B.A. in Specialized Studies, Ohio University Athens

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Broad: Language documentation, semantics, pragmatics, syntax, morphology, sociolinguistics, Sino-Tibetan languages

Narrow: Nominals, information structure, definiteness, deixis, reference semantics-pragmatics interface

PUBLICATIONS

- In Press Wamsley, J. Two Types of Definiteness: A Case Study from Hakha Lai. *Proceedings of TripleA 10 (2023)*. eds. Mira Grubic, Jeanne Lecavelier, Prarthanaa Manjunath Bharadwaj and Malte Zimmermann.
- 2023 Wamsley, J. 2023. *Topics in Hakha Lai Nominal Marking*. Bloomington: Indiana University doctoral dissertation
- Berkson, K, **J. Wamsley**, S. Lotven, S. Chelliah, K. Van Bik, S. Champlin, K. Sakhong, S. H. Par, A. Matthews, A. Bohnert. 2023. A developing community of collaboration in Indiana. In B. Murray, M. Brill-Carlat & M. Höhn, (eds.) *Migration, Displacement, and Higher Education: Now What? (Political Pedagogies)*. Palgrave Macmillan. 23-35
- 2022 Wamsley, J. 2022. Hakha Lai Definites. *Proceedings of (F)ASAL 10*. eds. Ishani Guha, Sana Kidwai and Martha Schwarz. available at:
<https://ojs.ub.unikonstanz.de/jsal/index.php/fasal/article/view/248/142>

- 2020 Matthews, A. & **Wamsley, J.** 2020. A Brief Report on the Demonstrative System of Hnaring Lutuv. *Indiana Working Papers in South Asian Languages & Cultures (IWPSALC)* 2(1).
<https://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/iwpsalc/article/view/31104>
- Wamsley, J.**, Sakhong, K., Lotven, S. 2020. Nuitah Zophei Swadesh List. *Indiana Working Papers in South Asian Languages & Cultures (IWPSALC)* 2(1).
<https://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/iwpsalc/article/view/31160>
- Lotven, S., Berkson, K., **Wamsley, J. C.**, Danaher, J., Van Bik, K., & Davis, S. 2020. The syllable in Kuki-Chin. *Journal of South Asian Languages and Linguistics*, 6 (2), 281-308.
- 2019 Berkson, K., S. Lotven, P.H. Thang, T. Thawngza, Z. Sung, **J. Wamsley**, F. Tyers, K. Van Bik, S. Kübler, D. Williamson, and M. Anderson. 2019. Building a Common Voice Corpus for Laiholh (Hakha Chin). *Proceedings of the 3rd Workshop on Computational Methods for Endangered Languages: Vol. 2, Article 2*. Available at:
<https://scholar.colorado.edu/scil-cmel/vol2/iss1/2>
- Lotven, S., Par, S. H., **Wamsley, J. C.**, & Berkson, K. 2019. Hnaring Lutuv Swadesh list. *Indiana Working Papers in South Asian Languages and Cultures (IWPSALC)*, 1(1).
<https://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/iwpsalc/article/view/27747>
- Lotven, S., Sung, Z., **Wamsley, J.C.**, & Berkson, K. 2019. Lawngtlang Zophei Swadesh list. *Indiana Working Papers in South Asian Languages and Cultures (IWPSALC)*, 1(1).
<https://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/iwpsalc/article/view/27461>
- Wamsley, J. 2019. Demonstratives and the Noun Phrase Structure of Hakha Chin. *Indiana Working Papers in South Asian Languages & Cultures (IWPSALC)* 1(1).
<https://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/iwpsalc/article/view/27454>
- Wamsley, J. 2019. Gendered Usage of Sentence-Final Particles in Mandarin Chinese. *IULC Working Papers*. Indiana University Bloomington.
<https://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/iulcwp/article/view/27100>

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

- 2024 Wamsley, J.C. 2024. "Two Types of Definite Expressions: A Case Study from Hakha Lai". Paper to be presented at the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Southeast Asian Linguistics Society. June 15, 2024.

- Wamsley, J.C. 2024. "Investigating Chin Discourse Markers through Collaborative Fieldwork". Presented at the University of Rochester Department of Linguistics Colloquium Series. March 22, 2024.
- 2023 Wamsley, J.C. 2023. "Two Types of Definite Expressions: A Case Study from Hakha Lai". Paper presented at TripleA 10. June 7, 2023.
- 2023 Zathang, R., Iang, D., Em E., Par, S.T., Sung, B., Tial, A., Vang, R., Gray, R., Berkson, K., Kay, J., Bohnert, A., Par, S.H., Smith, D., **Wamsley, J.C.**, & Ziegler, G. 2023. "Speaker-Led Research: A Novel Methodology of the Chin Languages Research Project" Paper presented at The 8th International Conference on Language Documentation & Conservation (ICLDC 8) (presented online). March 2, 2023.
- 2022 Wamsley, J. 2022. "An investigation of polyfunctional discourse particle *cu* in Hakha Lai" Paper presented at the Interaction of Means and Functions in the Coding of Reference Workshop at the University of Sonora in Hermosillo (presented online). November 14, 2022.
- Wamsley, J. 2022. "An investigation of polyfunctional discourse particle *cu* in Hakha Lai" Paper presented at The 31st Conference of the Southeast Asian Linguistics Society at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (presented online). May 19, 2022.
- 2021 Wamsley, J. 2021. "Conducting Semantic Fieldwork on Hakha Lai". Presented at the California State University Fullerton Linguistic Colloquium Series. (presented online). December 3, 2021.
- Wamsley, J. 2021. "Definite Expressions in Hakha Lai". Presented at the 9th Central Kentucky Linguistics Conference. (presented online). April 10, 2021.
- 2020 Wamsley, J. 2020. "Definite Expressions in Hakha Lai." Paper presented at International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics (ICSTLL) 53, University of North Texas on October 2, 2020.
- Wamsley, J. 2020. "Definite Expressions in Hakha Lai." Paper to be presented at (Formal) Approaches to South Asian Languages (FASAL) 10, Ohio State University on March 21, 2020. [cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic]
- 2019 Wamsley, J. 2019. "Researching Sichuanese Mandarin". Invited Talk in Introduction to Chinese Linguistics on October 22, 2019.
- Thawngza, T., **Wamsley, J.**, and Berkson, K. 2019. "Hakha Lai acquisition and attitudes." Poster presented at IU's Summer 2019 Undergraduate Research Symposium, Indiana University Bloomington on July 25, 2019.

2018 **Wamsley, J. & Botne, R.** “Effects of Nasal Deletion in Nyere Kikuyu.” Paper presented at New Interdepartmental Conference on Linguistics Area Studies, Indiana University on April 13, 2018.

Wamsley, J. & Botne, R. “Effects of Nasal Deletion in Nyere Kikuyu.” Paper presented at Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL) 49, Michigan State University on March 23, 2018.

2017 **Wamsley, J. & Botne, R.** “Effects of Nasal Deletion in Nyere Kikuyu.” Paper presented at 22nd Mid-continental Phonetics & Phonology Conference, Ohio State University on September 30, 2017.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2023-2024 Adjunct Professor, University of Rochester, Department of Linguistics
- 2023 Associate Editor, Proceedings of the 34th North American Conference on Chinese Linguistics
- 2020-2022 Research Assistant, Linguistically Underserved Communities and Health project (NSF Grant #2031060)
- 2019-2023 Assistant Editor, Indiana Working Papers in South Asian Languages and Cultures
- 2016-2018 Program Assistant, Indiana University East Asian Studies Center
- 2014-2015 Grants Assistant, Indiana University East Asian Studies Center
- 2013-2014 Administrative Assistant, Indiana University East Asian Studies Center

AWARDS AND FUNDING

- 2023 Linguistics Department Travel Award (\$1,300)
- 2022-2023 College of Arts & Sciences Dissertation Research Fellowship (\$22,000)
- 2021 Graduate School Grant-in-Aid of Doctoral Research (\$1000)
- 2020-2021 Research Assistant Fellowship with IU Department of Linguistics
- 2017 SGIS Fellowship with the IU East Asian Studies Center

2013 FLAS Fellowship for Mandarin Chinese with the IU East Asian Studies Center

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2024 Instructor, LING 110 *Introduction to Linguistic Analysis*
Instructor, LING 389 *Fieldwork for Language Documentation*

2023 Instructor, LING 226/426 *Morphology*
Instructor, LING 104 *Language and Culture*

2019-2020 English instructor, VIPKid

2019-2020 Associate Instructor, P-155 *Public Oral Communication*

2018 Graduate instructor (instructor of record)
Linguistics L-203 *Introduction to Linguistic Analysis*

2016-2017 Graduate instructor (instructor of record)
Second Language Studies T-101 *Speaking Fluency*
Second Language Studies T-101 *Pronunciation*

2015-2016 Foreign instructor, METEN English

2012-2013 Substitute teacher, Xenia, Jamestown, Kettering school districts

2011-2012 Oral English teacher, Naxi Junior High School

2010-2011 Foreign instructor, Linkman Foreign Language School

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Language Documentation

FLEx

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Editing and Design

Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint

Adobe InDesign, Premiere Pro

Squarespace

Languages

English (native)

Spanish (reading fluency)

Mandarin Chinese (TOCFL Level 3)

Hakha Lai (research, beginner speaking ability)
Lutuv (research)
Nyere Kikuyu (research)
Amazigh (research)

REFERENCES

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