

Sid Bhushan

Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

- Heritage language acquisition • Multilingualism • Generative syntax
- Computational approaches to language acquisition •

Education

- 2024–Present **PhD Linguistics**
University of Michigan
Advisor: Acrisio Pires
- 2021–24 **BS Computer Science and Linguistics**
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
Magna Cum Laude, University Honors, Phi Beta Kappa

Publications

Conference Proceedings

- 2025 (in prep) **Bhushan, Sid.** Number-driven gender syncretism and Impoverishment: some insights from Kannada. *ConSOLE XXXIII: Proceedings of the 33rd Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe*.
- 2024 **Bhushan, Sid.** Gender in Kannada and Distributed Morphology: the role of Impoverishment in Gender/Number Alternations. *Proceedings of the 2023 Annual Western Conference on Linguistics*.

Presentations

Peer-Reviewed Conferences

- 2025 Levinson, Lisa, Rohan Raju, Lucy Yu-Chuan Chiang, and **Sid Bhushan**. *Multitasking Events in English: Cross-task Conceptual Replications and Re-evaluations*. (Poster). 38th Annual Conference on Human Sentence Processing (HSP).
- 2025 **Bhushan, Sid**. *Number-driven gender syncretism and Impoverishment: some insights from Kannada*. (Poster). 33rd Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe (ConSOLE).
- 2023 **Bhushan, Sid**. *Gender in Kannada and Distributed Morphology: the role of Impoverishment in Gender/Number Alternations*. 2023 Annual Western Conference on Linguistics (WECOL).
- 2023 **Bhushan, Sid**. *A morphological analysis of gender in Kannada*. 17th Annual Meeting of the Arizona Linguistics Circle (ALC).
- 2023 **Bhushan, Sid** and Joshua Dees. *A morphological analysis of gender in Kannada*. (Poster). 5th conference on The Intersection of Linguistics, Language, and Culture (ILLC).

Invited Talks

- 2025 **Bhushan, Sid**. *Graduate Research in Linguistics: From theoretical syntax to computational linguistics and heritage language acquisition*. League of Linguists at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
- 2024 **Bhushan, Sid**. *Number-driven gender syncretism and Impoverishment: some insights from Kannada*. University of Chicago.

Other

- 2024 **Bhushan, Sid**. *What You Can and Cannot Do: Deletions and Mergers of Grammatical Gender in Kannada*. (Poster). University of Illinois Undergraduate Research Symposium.

- 2022 **Bhushan, Sid.** *Indigenous alcohols vs. colonial interests: the role of 'recogimientos de mujeres' in protecting Spanish dominance in late colonial Mexico.* (Poster). University of Illinois Undergraduate Research Symposium.

Research Experience

Research Assistantships

- 2023–24 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
PIs: Aylin Coşkun Kunduz and Silvina Montrul
Heritage Language Returnees Project
- Transcribed participant data
 - Created scripts to assist in transcription, record utterance lengths, and process questionnaires
- 2022–23 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
PIs: Silvina Montrul and David Dubin
Spanish-English Bilingual Heritage Corpus Project
- Transcribed participant data
 - Created scripts to assist in transcription
- 2022 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
Advisor: Megan Gargiulo
Recogimientos de mujeres Document Analysis Project
- Transcribed handwritten archival documents
 - Digitized documents and created human-readable display format

Other Academic Experience

Temporary Academic Positions

- 2024 **Grader**, University of Michigan.
Course: LING 125: Human Language and Computers (Fall 2024)

Professional Experience

- 2024 **Firmware Engineering Intern**, Seagate Technology.
- 2023 **Software Engineer Intern**, Splunk.
- 2022 **Robotics Software Development Intern**, Toro Robotics Colorado.
- 2021 **Robotics Intern**, Toro Robotics Colorado.

Service

University Service

- 2024–25 Undergraduate Committee
University of Michigan, Department of Linguistics
- 2023–24 **President**, League of Linguists
(Linguistics Undergraduate Student Organization)
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Department of
Linguistics
- 2022–23 **Officer of Public Relations**, League of Linguists
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Department of
Linguistics

Conference Volunteering

- 2024 Volunteer at the **16th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language
and Linguistics Society**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
March 1–2, 2024.
- 2023 Volunteer at the **15th Annual Meeting of the Illinois Language
and Linguistics Society**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
March 3–4, 2023.

Honors and Awards

Fellowships

- 2024–Present **Weinberg Institute for Cognitive Science Graduate Fellowship**,
University of Michigan.
- 2024
(declined) **Distinguished Graduate Fellowship in the Humanities & Arts**,
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (3 years of funding).

Awards

- 2024 **Linguistics Student Leadership Award**, University of Illinois
Urbana-Champaign.
- 2024 **Outstanding Undergraduate in Linguistics**, University of Illinois
Urbana-Champaign.

Honors

- 2024 **Bronze Tablet Scholar** (top 3% of graduating class), University of
Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
- 2021–24 **Dean’s List**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (FA21,
SP22, FA22, SP23, FA23, SP24).

Languages

English: Primary language
Spanish: High-Intermediate
Hindi: Heritage

Technical Skills

Programming (Python, Java, Kotlin, C/C++, HTML, JavaScript, etc.)
R (Statistics)
LaTeX
Praat

Professional Affiliations

Linguistic Society of America

Research Affiliations

University of Michigan

2024–Present Syn(tax)Sem(antics) Discussion Group
So(ciolinguistics)Con(tact)Di(scourse) Discussion Group

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

2023–2024 Commentary on the Latest Approaches to Syntax and Semantics in
Illinois (claSSi) Discussion Group