Alexandra Nyman

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Education

2018 – current Ph.D., Linguistics

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

2011 – 2015 Rutgers University, New Brunswick

Honors B.A. in Linguistics

Thesis: The Learnability of Insertion and Deletion

Advisor: Bruce Tesar, Rutgers University

Individualized B.A. in Cognitive Science

Specialization in Linguistics

2011 – 2015 Mason Gross School of the Arts, New Brunswick

B.A. in Visual Art

Focus in sculpture and print

Publications

Nyman, Alexandra. Bruce Tesar. "Determining underlying presence in the learning of grammars that allow insertion and deletion". Glossa: a journal of general linguistics, 4(1), p.37. DOI: http://doi.org/10.5334/gjgl.603

Presentations/Talks

March 2020	$\mathbf{D}\mathbf{I} \cap \mathbf{I}\mathbf{I}$	Penn. Talk
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The learnability of abstract underlying segments in OT

Nov 2015 NECPHON, University of Delaware. Talk.

Learning Underlying Forms in Basic CV Syllable Theory

Oct 2015 PSUxLing2. Penn State University. Poster Presenter.

The Learnability of Insertion and Deletion

May 2015 Aresty Undergraduate Colloquium. Rutgers University. Talk.

The Learnability of Insertion and Deletion

April 2015 GLEEFUL, qUALMS. Michigan State University. Poster Presenter.

The Learnability of Insertion and Deletion

April 2015 Aresty Undergraduate Symposium. Rutgers University. Co-Authored Poster Presenter as part of the Laboratory for Developmental Language Studies.
How Children Resolve Pronominal Reference in Comparatives

April 2014 Aresty Undergraduate Symposium. Rutgers University. Co-Authored Poster Presenter as part of the Laboratory for Developmental Language Studies.
Syntactic and Semantic Support for Verb Learning

Honors/Awards

May 2015	Jeffers Prize for outstanding achievement and contribution to the Linguistics Department at Rutgers University
May 2015	Granted Honors in Linguistics for Thesis Project
May 2015	Highest Honors in Linguistics
2011-2015	Deans List Scholar in the School of Arts and Sciences

Grants

April 2015 Aresty Travel Grant to present my Honors Thesis at GLEEFUL, qUALMS

Research Assistantships

2013 – 2015 Laboratory for Developmental Language Studies, Rutgers University.

Lab Director: Dr. Kristen Syrett

Responsibilities: Data collection and analyses, video/audio session recording, lab organization, record keeping, and experimental development. Lab work hours ranged from 10-15 hours per week, which I received undergraduate credits for.

Summer 2014 Language Acquisition Research Center, CUNY.

Lab Director: Dr. Virginia Valian

Responsibilities: Data collection, NLP software development and bug fixing, mean length utterance transcription, experimental session transcription, and video/audio session recording.

Work Experience

July 2016 – Aug. 2018 Software Developer/Computational Linguist. Lionbridge, Inc.

Jan. 2016 – July 2016 Data Analyst. Brandwatch, Inc.