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EDUCATION

2013-2018 PhD in Linguistics, University of Arizona
Perception and production of Welsh vowels by Welsh-Spanish bilinguals

2015 MA in Linguistics, University of Arizona
 Qualifying paper: *Phonemic vowel length in Welsh-Spanish bilingual speech*

2012 B.A. in Linguistics and Anthropology, with Highest Honors
 University of California, Santa Barbara

EMPLOYMENT

2020-pres. Lecturer University of California, Los Angeles

2023-pres. UCLA Phonetics Lab Instructional Support

2018-2020 Visiting Assistant Professor University of Texas at El Paso

TEACHING

University of California, Los Angeles:

LING 102 Introduction to Applied Phonetics W21, W22, S22, W23, S23

Phonetics of the world's languages, emphasis on connecting practical phonetics to outside fields including teaching, automated speech recognition, language revitalization, language invention, and singing

LING 103 Introduction to General Phonetics W21, F21, W22

Phonetics of the world's languages, emphasis on perception and production

LING 119A Applied Phonology F20, S21, F21, S22, F22

Basics of phonological analysis, emphasis on connecting the tools of phonology to applications in other fields

LING 120A Phonology I S21, W23

Introduction to phonological theory and analysis, with an emphasis on practical problem-solving including rules, underlying representations, and derivations

LING C140 Bilingualism and Second Language Acquisition F20, F22, F23

Introduction to the study of second language acquisition and bilingualism; students gain practical experience in developing a research question, designing an experiment, and sharing their work through formal academic writing

University of Texas at El Paso (Visiting Assistant Professor):

- Programming for Linguists (in-person to online)* *S20*
 Undergraduate and graduate linguistics students learn basic knowledge and skills relevant for conducting linguistic research. Introduces a variety of programming languages, including Bash, R, Python, and Praat. Course activities facilitate confidence in future self-directed learning of programming systems and computational analysis.
- Graduate Phonology (in-person to online)* *S19, S20*
 Phonology at the graduate level, introducing students to past and contemporary theoretical models of phonology, with an emphasis on data analysis
- An Introduction to Linguistics* *F & S 2018-2020*
 Introductory linguistics course introducing phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics to majors and non-majors
- Phonology* *F18, F19*
 Introduction to phonology for upper-division undergraduate linguistics majors

University of Arizona (as instructor of record):

- American Indian Languages* *S14*
 Introductory linguistics course which introduces phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, and semantics with a focus on Native American languages
- Language and Social Issues (solo instructor, online delivery)* *Summer 2014*
 Introductory sociolinguistics course for linguistics and communications majors
- Language and Social Issues* *F13*

Language and Social Issues and *American Indian Languages* were co-taught as the instructor of record alongside a fellow graduate student, entailing total responsibility for course design, content, and implementation.

University of Arizona (as teaching assistant):

- Language (instructor, 2 sections)* *F15*
 A large introductory linguistics course for incoming freshmen (Dr. Amy Fountain)
- Phonology (grader)* *S15*
 Introduction to phonology for linguistics majors (Dr. Adam Ussishkin)
- Linguistic Typology (grader)* *S15*
 Introduction to typology for linguistics majors (Dr. Andy Wedel)
- Pragmatics (grader)* *F14*
 Introduction to pragmatics for linguistics and psychology majors (Instructor Tyler Peterson)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Leading Change: Go Beyond Gamification with Gameful Learning *Summer 2023*

- This asynchronous course, offered online by the University of Michigan, presents ways to integrate gamefulness into education. Gameful education, like a well-designed game, encourages students to take risks, earn rewards, and learn with resiliency.

UCLA CAT PAROSL participant (with Daria Bahtina)

Fall 2022

- PAROSL is a non-evaluative peer observation process that fosters pedagogical innovation through collaboration with another instructor and a facilitator.
- The innovation I implemented as part of PAROSL was to incorporate clarity grids, a method of in-class learning assessment. Clarity grids give students a moment to reflect on their own learning, and a way to communicate to the instructor what they do and do not understand about a particular course topic.

UCLA EPIC Summer Institute on Course (re)Design

Sept 2022

- As a participant, I shared teaching materials with other educators in the humanities as well as with experts in pedagogy. I received feedback and incorporated evidence-based teaching practices into the design of my target course (LING C140 Bilingualism and Second Language Acquisition).

UCLA Library Faculty Information Literacy Institute

July 2022

- I participated in a week-long series of instructional sessions presented by the UCLA Library and used the UCLA Library Core Competencies to update and refine assignments and syllabi for the upcoming year.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2016-2018 Experimental and Descriptive Investigations of Welsh (cym) Consonant Mutation, NSF grant 1453724, research assistant

2014-2015 Scottish Gaelic Project, NSF grant 1144318, research assistant

Collaborated with other research team members to:

- Design, test and run experimental protocols in PsychoPy
- Use Praat (including Praat scripting) to create audio stimuli
- Manage and troubleshoot ultrasound data collection
- Conduct statistical analysis of experimental results using R
- Visualize experimental results using R and ggplot2

COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS

Advanced: R, Praat scripting, LaTeX, knitR, JsPsych, PsychoPy

Familiar with: Python, JavaScript, HTML, Bash, Matlab, DMDX

PUBLICATIONS

Bundgaard-Nielsen, R. L., Baker, B. J., **Bell, E.**, & Wang, Y. (2023). Stop contrast acquisition in child Kriol: Evidence of stable transmission of phonology post Creole formation. *Journal of Child Language*, 1-37.

Bell, E., Archangeli, D., Anderson, S., Hammond M., Webb-Davies, P., and Brooks, H. (2021). Illustrations of the IPA: Northern Welsh. *Journal of the International Phonetic Association*.

- Hammond, M., **Bell, E.**, Anderson, S., Webb-Davies, P., Ohala, D., Carnie, A., & Brooks, H. (2020). Category-specific effects in Welsh mutation. *Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics*, 5(1), 1.
- Bell, E.** (2019). "Speech technology and Argentinean Welsh". *MT Summit XVII: Proceedings of the Celtic Language Technology Workshop*, Dublin, Ireland.
- Bell, E.** & Anderson, S. (2018). "Morphological influences on categorical perception of stop voicing in Welsh". In *Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America*. Linguistic Society of America, 2018.
- Hammond, M., Chen, Y., **Bell, E.**, Carnie, A., Archangeli, D., Ussishkin, A., & Fisher, M. (2017). "Phonological restrictions on lenition in Scottish Gaelic". *Language*, 93(2), 446-472.
- Bell, E.** (2017). Perception of Welsh vowel contrasts by Welsh-Spanish bilinguals in Argentina. In *Proceedings of the Linguistic Society of America*. Linguistic Society of America, 2017.
- Bundgaard-Nielsen, R., Baker, B., & **Bell, E.** (2016). Child Kriol has stop distinctions based on VOT and Constriction Duration. In *Proceedings of the Sixteenth Australasian International Conference on Speech Science and Technology 2016*. Australian Speech Science and Technology Association, 2016.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

UCLA Center for the Advancement of Teaching (\$300)	2021, 2022, 2024
Mini-grant for Applied Phonetics guest speaker honoraria	
National Science Foundation (\$9,012)	2017-2018
Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement grant #1729883	
UA GPSC research grant (\$877.59)	2017
UA GPSC travel grant (\$750)	2016
Tinker Field Research Grant (\$2250)	2016
UA GPSC travel grant (\$750)	2015
UA Linguistics Department travel grant (\$250)	2015
National Science Foundation (\$7,500)	2015
East Asia and Pacific Summer Institute Fellowship, Australia (PI)	
UA GPSC travel grant (\$750)	May 2015
UA Linguistics Department travel grant (\$175)	2015
University of Arizona Graduate College Fellowship (\$3,638)	2013

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Phonetics and phonology
 Bilingualism and second language acquisition
 Language documentation and revitalization
 Celtic languages (Welsh, Scottish Gaelic)
 North American languages (Tohono O'odham, Ngigua, Hiaki, Nahuatl)

WORK IN PROGRESS

Frequency effects on L2 acquisition of root-and-pattern morphology (with S. Drake)
 Acoustic consequences of conversational code-switching
 Corpus investigation of functional load and variation in Welsh 3rd person possession
 Acoustics of emphatic spread in Saudi Arabic (with S. Anderson and W. Cotter)

PRESENTATIONS

- Bell, E.** (2019). "Speech technology and Argentinean Welsh". MT Summit XVII: Celtic Language Technology Workshop, Dublin, Ireland.
- Bell, E.** (2019). "Vowel mergers in Patagonian Welsh". Texas Linguistics Society XVIII, University of Texas at Austin.
- Bell, E.** & Anderson, S. (2018). "Morphological influences on categorical perception of stop voicing". Linguistic Society of America's 92nd annual meeting, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Bell, E.** (2017a). "What we can learn about L2 acquisition from Welsh in Argentina". Seminar Ieithyddiaeth Gymraeg, Gregynog, Wales, UK.
- Anderson, S., Archangeli, D., **Bell, E.**, Brooks, H., Carnie, A., Hammond, M., Ohala, D., Ussishkin, A., Webb-Davies, P., & Wedel, A. (2017). "The Arizona-Wales mutation grant: preliminary results". Seminar Ieithyddiaeth Gymraeg, Gregynog, Wales, UK.
- Bell, E.** (2017b). "Perception of Welsh vowel contrasts by Welsh-Spanish bilinguals in Argentina". Linguistic Society of America's 91st annual meeting, Austin, TX.
- Webb-Davies, P., Anderson, S., Archangeli, D., **Bell, E.**, Brooks, H., Carnie, A., Hammond, M., Ohala, D., Ussishkin, A., & Wedel, A. (2016). "Arizona/Bangor Welsh mutation grant". Seminar Ieithyddiaeth Gymraeg, Gregynog, Wales, UK.
- Bell, E.**, Bundgaard-Nielsen, R., & Baker, B. (2016). "Production of obstruents by children acquiring North Australian Kriol". Linguistic Society of America's 90th annual meeting, Washington, D.C.
- Bell, E.** (2016). "Phonemic vowel length in Welsh-Spanish bilingual speech". Linguistic Society of America's 90th annual meeting, Washington, D.C.
- Bell, E.** (2015). "Onset-sensitive stress in Ngigua". Workshop on American Indigenous Languages (WAIL), University of California at Santa Barbara.

LANGUAGES

Native: English
 Fluent: Welsh

Conversational: Spanish, German

University level study: Japanese, Arabic, German, Tohono O'odham

Linguistic knowledge: Hiaki, Ngigua, Nahuatl, Tohono O'odham, Scottish Gaelic

SERVICE

Outreach

- 2017 Outreach presentation with H. Harley at International School of Tucson
 2014-17 Tucson Festival of Books Linguistics outreach booth volunteer

Service to the field

- 2022 Reviewer, *Journal of Phonetics*
 2021-pres Reviewer, *Languages*
 2020 Reviewer, *Glossa*
 2019-2020 R-Ladies El Paso, founder and organizer
 2017-2020 Member of the Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics
 Jan 2017 LSA annual meeting student volunteer
 Jan 2015 LSA annual meeting student volunteer

Service to the department

- 2021- UCLA Linguistics lecturer representative to faculty meetings
 2018-19 UTEP Hispanic Linguistics Symposium committee member
 2016-17 UA Department Awards committee member
 2016 Arizona Linguistics Circle 10 committee member
 2015 Arizona Linguistics Circle 9 Co-Chair
 2013 Arizona Linguistics Circle 7 volunteer

CERTIFICATIONS

Jan 2017 UA Safe Zone Certification
 Safe Zone is a university-wide initiative which provides training and education for those wishing to identify themselves as a safe resource for members of the LGBTQ+ community on campus.

Jan 2017 UA UndocuPeers Training
 Training provided by the UA Immigrant Student Resource Center about best practices to support undocumented, DACA-mented, and refugee students.

5/26/2017 Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)
 - Human Behavior Research Certificate
 - Native American Research Certificate

REFERENCES

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