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Education

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| 2015–present | PhD in Linguistics, University of Pennsylvania
Advisor: Prof. David Embick |
| 2012–2014 | Research M.A. in Linguistics, University of Amsterdam – cum laude
Master’s thesis: <i>Mass-Count and Article Choice in children with High Functioning Autism and with Specific Language Impairment</i> .
Supervisors: Prof. Jeannette Schaeffer and Dr. Judith Rispens |
| 2009–2012 | B.A. Dutch Language and Culture, University of Amsterdam – cum laude
BA thesis: <i>Nederlandse idiomem als toetsingsdomein voor lexicale decompositie</i> (Dutch idioms as a testing domain for lexical decomposition).
Supervisor: Dr. Jan Don |
| 2003–2009 | Bilingual Secondary Education (VWO in English/Dutch)
International Baccalaureate English Language and Literature (IB)
RSG Broklede, Breukelen, the Netherlands |

Publications

Journal Articles

Creemers, Ava, Jan Don, and Paula Fenger (2018). ‘Some affixes are roots, others are heads’. *Natural Language & Linguistic Theory* 36(1): pp. 45-84. [pdf]

Schaeffer, Jeannette, Merel van Witteloostuijn, **Ava Creemers** (2018). ‘Article Choice, Theory of Mind and Memory in Children with High-Functioning Autism and Children with Specific Language Impairment’. *Applied Psycholinguistics* 39(1): pp. 89-115. [pdf]

Proceedings

Creemers, Ava, Jérémy Zehr, and Florian Schwarz (2018). ‘Interpreting Presuppositions in the Scope of Quantifiers: *every* vs. *at least one*’. To appear in: *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 22.

Creemers, Ava and Jeannette Schaeffer (2016). ‘Specific Language Impairment and High Functioning Autism: Evidence for Distinct Etiologies and for Modularity of Grammar and Pragmatics.’ In: *Proceedings of the 6th Conference on Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition North America (GALANA 2015)*, ed. Laurel Perkins et al., pp. 1-12. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Proceedings Project. [pdf]

Creemers, Ava, Jan Don, Paula Fenger (2015). 'Stress and categorial flexibility of affixes as a consequence of morphological structure'. In: *North East Linguistic Society (NELS) 45*; ed. by Bui, T. and Özyildiz, D., Amherst, MA, UMass, GSLA publications, pp. 165-178.

Creemers, Ava and Jeannette Schaeffer (2015). 'Grammatical and pragmatic properties of the DP in children with Specific Language Impairment (SLI) and in children with High Functioning Autism (HFA).' In: *Linguistics in the Netherlands 2015*, Köhnlein, Björn and Jenny Audring (eds.), 32(1), pp. 16-32.

Fenger, Paula, **Ava Creemers**, and Marlijn Meijer (2015). 'The syntactic nature of the particle *be-*'. In: *Linguistics in the Netherlands 2015*, Köhnlein, Björn and Jenny Audring (eds.), 32(1), pp. 48-62. [link]

Presentations

Creemers, Ava, Amy Goodwin Davies, and Robert J. Wilder. *Morphological priming of Dutch prefixed verbs in auditory word processing*. Talk at PLC 42 (Penn Linguistics Conference), 23-25 March 2018, University of Pennsylvania.

Creemers, Ava, Jeannette Schaeffer, Merel van Witteloostuijn. *Article Choice, Theory of Mind and Memory in Dutch-speaking children with language impairment*. Poster at BUCLD 42, 3-5 November 2017, Boston University.

Creemers, Ava. *Quantifier scope resolution in doubly quantified ditransitive sentences*. Poster at MACSIM 7 (Mid-Atlantic Colloquium of Studies in Meaning), 7 October 2017, Georgetown University.

Creemers, Ava, Amy Goodwin Davies, and Robert J. Wilder. *Morphological Priming of Dutch Complex Verbs is independent of Semantic Transparency*. Talk at SLE 50 (Societas Linguistica Europaea), 10-13 September 2017, Zurich, part of the workshop *What is in a Morpheme?*.

Creemers, Ava, Jérémy Zehr, and Florian Schwarz. *Interpreting Presuppositions in the Scope of Quantifiers: every vs. at least one*. Poster at Sinn und Bedeutung 22, 7-10 September 2017, Berlin/Potsdam.

Creemers, Ava, Jérémy Zehr, and Florian Schwarz. *Interpreting Presuppositions in the Scope of Quantifiers: every vs. at least one*. Poster at the 30th CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, March 30 - April 1, 2017, MIT, Cambridge MA.

Creemers, Ava, Florian Schwarz, and Jérémy Zehr. *Presupposition projection in quantified sentences: every vs. at least one*. Theoretical and Experimental Approaches to Presuppositions (workshop). 3-5 March, 2017, Laboratory of Psychology of Language, Genoa.

Creemers, Ava. *Lexical Representation of Dutch Complex Verbs*. Grammar & Cognition, University of Amsterdam, 24 June 2016.

Schaeffer, Jeannette, **Ava Creemers**, and Merel van Witteloostuijn. *Article Choice in children with High Functioning Autism (HFA) and in children with Specific Language Impairment (SLI)*. Acquiring Referentiality workshop, Utrecht University, 10 April 2015.

Creemers, Ava and Jeannette Schaeffer. *Grammatical and pragmatic properties of DP in children with Specific Language Impairment (SLI) and in children with High Functioning Autism (HFA)*. GALANA 2015 (Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition – North America), University of Maryland. 19-22 February 2015.

Creemers, Ava and Jeannette Schaeffer. *Grammatical and pragmatic properties of the DP in children with Specific Language Impairment (SLI) and in children with High Functioning Autism (HFA)*. TIN-day (Taalkunde in Nederland / conference of Linguistics in the Netherlands), 7 February 2015.

Fenger, Paula, **Ava Creemers**, and Marlijn Meijer. *On the Syntactic Nature of the Dutch Particle be-TIN-day* (Taalkunde in Nederland / conference of Linguistics in the Netherlands), 7 February 2015.

Creemers, Ava, Jan Don, and Paula Fenger. *Stress and categorial flexibility of affixes as a consequence of morphological structure*. North East Linguistic Society (NELS) 45, Workshop: The Phonological Consequences of Morphological Structure, Boston, MIT, 31 October – 2 November 2014.

Creemers, Ava, Jan Don, and Paula Fenger. *Stress-sensitivity and flexibility of affixes*. International Morphology Meeting (IMM), Budapest, 29-31 May 2014.

Creemers, Ava, Jan Don, and Paula Fenger. *A syntactic approach to stress-sensitivity and flexibility of derivational affixes*. Morfologiedagen (Morphology days), Leeuwarden, 13 December 2013.

Teaching Experience

Spring 2018	Teaching Assistant for LING001 Introduction to Linguistics Instructor: Prof. Gareth Roberts, UPenn.
Fall 2017	Guest lecturer on Psycholinguistics LING170, Experimental Approaches in Language. Instructor: Prof. Gareth Roberts, UPenn.
Spring 2017	Teaching Assistant for LING001 Introduction to Linguistics Instructor: Prof. Jianjing Kuang, UPenn.
Fall 2016	Teaching Assistant for LING270 Language Acquisition Instructor: Prof. Charles Yang, UPenn.
2013–2015	Instructor in Dutch writing for De Taalprof De Haagse Hogeschool (The Hague University of Applied Sciences).
2012–2015	Examiner of Dutch writing exams for De Taalprof De Haagse Hogeschool (The Hague University of Applied Sciences).
Fall 2012	Teaching Assistant for the course ‘Sentence Analysis’ Dutch Linguistics department, University of Amsterdam.

Student & Research Assistantships

Fall 2017	Research Assistant to David Embick.
Summer 2016	Research Assistant to Florian Schwarz, on his NSF grant project (BCS-1349009).
2013–2014	Student Assistant in the Research Department of the Faculty of Humanities (UvA).
2013	Research Assistant to Jing Lin, in her PhD project <i>Acquiring Negative Polarity Items</i> .

Additional Training

2017	Crete Summer School of Linguistics , University of Crete, Rethymnon, Greece.
2014	LOT Graduate Summer School , Radboud Universiteit, Nijmegen, the Netherlands.
2014	GLOW Spring School ‘Theories in Dialogue’ , KU Leuven, Brussels, Belgium.
2013	LOT Graduate Summer School , Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, the Netherlands.

Non-academic Work

- 2015 | **Coordinator for the Faculty of Humanities Grant Team**, Research department, University of Amsterdam. The Grant Team provides support, content wise as well as strategic, for internal and external researchers who are preparing grant applications.
- 2013–2015 | **Employee at the Research department**, University of Amsterdam. Among other things, I organized and coordinated the LOT Winter School 2015 hosted by the Amsterdam Center of Language and Communication, and I supported the research department in coordinating the PhD recruitment for three research clusters at the Faculty of Humanities.

Departmental Service

- 2018–2019 | **Co-President, Graduate Linguistics Society**, Department of Linguistics, UPenn.
- 2017–2018 | **Prospective Student Liaison**, Department of Linguistics, UPenn.
- 2016–2017 | **Co-chair Penn Linguistics Conference 41 (PLC)**, Department of Linguistics, UPenn.
- Fall 2016 | **Speaker Series Coordinator**, Department of Linguistics, UPenn.
- Spring 2016 | **Speaker Series Assistant**, Department of Linguistics, UPenn.
- 2015–2016 | **Head Hospitality Committee Penn Linguistics Conference 40 (PLC)**.
- 2014 | **Organizer RMA Linguistics alumni event**, UvA.
- 2011–2014 | **Editor Linguistics, Absint**, magazine Dutch Language and Culture, UvA.
- 2010–2011 | **Secretary of Helios**, student association Dutch Language and Culture, UvA.

Fellowships, Rewards, & Grants

- 2015–2020 | **Benjamin Franklin Fellowship**, University of Pennsylvania.
- 2017 | **President Gutmann Leadership Award**, funding my attendance of The Societas Linguistica Europaea (\$830)
- 2015 | **Travel grant** from the GALANA's organization (\$400).
- 2014 | **Travel grant** from the Language and Literature department, UvA, funding my attendance at the International Morphology Meeting 16 (€ 250).
- 2014 | **Travel grant** from the Glow Spring School 1 to cover the accommodation costs.
- 2013 | **First prize poster presentation** 'The emergence of the CP in Germanic and the development of the complementizer *that*' at the Poster Festival, UvA.
- 2012 | **Second prize yearly essay competition** organized by the University of Amsterdam: *De Taal van de Universiteit* (The University's Language) (€ 750).