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## Education

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

## Publications

### Refereed Journal Articles

**Creemers, Ava**, Jan Don, and Paula Fenger (2018). “Some affixes are roots, others are heads”. In: *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”. In: *Applied Psycholinguistics* 39(1), pp. 89–115. [pdf]

### Conference Proceedings

**Creemers, Ava**, Jérémy Zehr, and Florian Schwarz (2018). “Interpreting Presuppositions in the Scope of Quantifiers: *every* vs. *at least one*”. In: *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 22, ed. by Uli Sauerland and Stephanie Solt, Vol. 1. ZASPiL 60. Berlin: Leibniz-Centre General Linguistics, pp. 331–348. [pdf]

**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* 32(1), ed. by Köhnlein, Björn and Jenny Audring, pp. 16–32.

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

## Presentations

### Upcoming

Chanchaochai, Nattanun and **Ava Creemers**. *Evidence for early form-based decomposition in auditory priming*. Talk at the Mental Lexicon (MenLex2018), 25–28 September 2018, Edmonton, Canada.

**Creemers, Ava**, Amy Goodwin Davies, and Robert J. Wilder. *Auditory morphological priming of semantically transparent and opaque Dutch prefixed verbs*. Talk at the Mental Lexicon (MenLex2018), 25–28 September 2018, Edmonton, Canada.

### Previous

**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 SuB 22 (Sinn und Bedeutung), 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

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

## 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.

## Departmental Service

- 2018–2019 **Co-President, Graduate Linguistics Society**, Department of Linguistics, UPenn.
- 2018–2019 **Volume Editor PWPL 25.1**, Penn Working Papers in Linguistics (PWPL).
- 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 for Dutch Language and Culture, UvA.
- 2010–2011 **Secretary of Helios**, student association in Dutch Language and Culture, UvA.

## Fellowships, Rewards, & Grants

- 2015–2020 **Benjamin Franklin Fellowship**, University of Pennsylvania.
- 2018–2019 **CTL Graduate Fellowship for Teaching Excellence** at the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL).
- 2017 **President Gutmann Leadership Award**, funding my attendance of The Societas Linguistica Europaea (\$830).
- 2015 **Travel grant** from 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).