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## I. EMPLOYMENT

2017-present Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Linguistics, Carleton College

## II. EDUCATION

2011-2017 Georgetown University  
PhD in Linguistics, 2017  
Dissertation: *The Morphosyntax of Pronominal Possessors and Diminutives in Mehri*  
Committee: Ruth Kramer (chair), Donna Lardiere, Aaron Rubin

2005-2009 Boston College  
BA in Political Science, Islamic Civilization and Culture, Arabic Studies  
Thesis: *Language Policy and Arabic Sociolinguistic Identity in Israel*  
Advisor: Margaret Thomas

## III. PUBLICATIONS

Rood, Morgan. Under review at *Morphology*. Possessive Pronouns in Mehri: A Distributed Morphology Analysis.

Rood, Morgan. 2015. Contextual allomorphy in the Mehri DP. In *Proceedings of the Poster Session of the 33<sup>rd</sup> West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL 33)*, eds. Pocholo Umbal and Kyeong-min Kim. 106-114. Simon Fraser University: Working Papers in Linguistics.

LaTerza, Chris, **Morgan Rood**, Dustin Chacón, Ruth Kramer and Jen Johnson. 2015. New puzzles for shifting indexicals: an Amharic case study. In *Selected Proceedings of the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL 44)*, eds. Ruth Kramer, Elizabeth Zsiga and One Boyer. 158-164. Somerville, MA: Cascadia.

LaTerza, Chris, Ruth Kramer, **Morgan Rood**, Dustin Chacón and Jen Johnson. 2014. Plural shifted indexicals are plural: evidence from Amharic. In *The Proceedings of the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the North East Linguistic Society (NELS 44)*, eds. Jyoti Iyer & Leland Kusmer. 259-269. Amherst: GLSA.

## IV. PRESENTATIONS

*Refereed Conference Presentations (Sole)*

- 2019 Evidence for a diminutive infix in Mehri (poster)  
93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, New York, NY.
- 2018 A Morphomic Analysis of Mehri Diminutives (poster)  
36<sup>th</sup> Annual West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2018 A New Perspective on Mehri Diminutives  
46<sup>th</sup> North American Conference on Afroasiatic Linguistics, Long Beach, CA.
- 2015 Contextual Allomorphy in the Mehri DP (poster)  
33<sup>rd</sup> Annual West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, Vancouver, BC.
- 2015 Patterns in Modern South Arabian dual agreement  
43<sup>rd</sup> North American Conference on Afroasiatic Linguistics, Washington, DC.
- 2015 Contextual Allomorphy in the Mehri DP (poster)  
89<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Portland, OR.
- 2014 Deglottalization in Mehri  
88<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Minneapolis, MN.

- 2013 A generative approach to Mehri verbs.  
41<sup>st</sup> North American Conference on Afroasiatic Linguistics, New Haven, CT.
- 2012 Wh-questions in Sanaani Arabic.  
Illinois Symposium on Semitic Linguistics, Urbana-Champaign, IL.

*Refereed Conference Presentations (Co-Authored)*

- 2014 Plural shifted indexicals are plural: evidence from Amharic  
88<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Minneapolis, MN.  
(Chris LaTerza, Ruth Kramer, **Morgan Rood**, Dustin Chacón, and Jen Johnson.)
- 2013 Plural shifted indexicals are plural: evidence from Amharic  
North Eastern Linguistic Society 44, Storrs, CT.  
(Chris LaTerza, **Morgan Rood**, Ruth Kramer, Dustin Chacón, and Jen Johnson.)
- 2013 Distinguishing theories of shifted indexicals: an Amharic case study.  
Georgetown University Round Table on Languages and Linguistics 2013 / 44<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Conference on African Linguistics, Washington, DC.  
(Dustin Chacón, Jen Johnson, Ruth Kramer, Chris LaTerza, and **Morgan Rood**)

**V. INVITED TALKS**

- 2018 Encountering Minority Languages in the Arabian Peninsula  
Middle East Studies Faculty Lecture Series, Carleton College
- 2018 A Morphomic Analysis of Mehri Diminutives  
Colloquium, University of Minnesota
- 2017 Conducting fieldwork on endangered languages (panel member)  
Endangered and Minority Languages, Macalester College
- 2017 Pronominal Possession in Mehri  
Carleton College

**VI. HONORS AND AWARDS**

- 2018 **Dean of the College Internal Grant.** Support for conference travel to WCCFL 36 and NACAL 46.
- 2016 **Dissertation Travel Research Grant.** Funding from GU Graduate School for travel and fieldwork in Abu Dhabi.
- 2011-2016 **Doctoral Assistantship.** Five years of full funding from the Linguistics Department at Georgetown University.
- 2013-2015 **Georgetown University Conference Travel Grant Award.** Funding from the GU Graduate School and Linguistics Department for conference travel. (3 total)
- 2012 **Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship.** Funding from the US Department of Education for summer study of Amharic.
- 2009 **Fulbright Research Fellowship.** Research on Arabic/Hebrew language policy in Israel.
- 2009 **Critical Language Enhancement Award.** Funding from the US Department of State for 240 hours of private Arabic tutoring in Israel.
- 2007 **Boren Undergraduate Scholarship.** Supported two semesters of language study at the American University in Cairo.
- 2007 **Boston College Advanced Study Grant.** Supported summer Arabic language study in Yemen.

**VII. TEACHING**

*Carleton College*

- Fall 2018 **Topics in Morphology**  
Spring 2018 **Introduction to Linguistics**

## **Sociolinguistics of Semitic Languages**

Winter 2018 **Introduction to Linguistics**

Fall 2017 **Introduction to the Theory of Syntax**

### *Georgetown University*

Fall 2015 Teaching Associate, **Grammatical Analysis**. Co-instructor: Lindley Winchester

Spring 2015 Teaching Assistant, **Graduate Syntax II**. Instructor: Hector Campos

Fall 2014 Teaching Assistant, **Graduate Syntax I**. Instructor: Ruth Kramer

Spring 2014 Teaching Assistant, **Grammatical Analysis**. Instructor: Ruth Kramer

Fall 2013 Teaching Associate. **Grammatical Analysis**. Co-instructor: Brett Sutton

Spring 2013 Teaching Assistant, **Grammatical Analysis**. Instructor: Ruth Kramer

Fall 2012 Teaching Assistant, **Graduate Syntax I**. Instructor: Ruth Kramer

## **VIII. RESEARCH AND SERVICE**

2018- Liberal arts advising at Carleton College (8 students)

2017- Core faculty member, Middle East Studies Program (Carleton College)

2016 Research assistant for Donna Lardiere: Second Language Acquisition

2015 Co-organizer of the 43<sup>rd</sup> North American Conference on Afroasiatic Linguistics  
(with Ruth Kramer and Michal Marmorstein)

2014 Reviewer, 43<sup>rd</sup> North American Conference on Afroasiatic Linguistics

2014 Co-founder, Afroasiatic Linguistics Graduate Reading Group

2014 Reviewer, Georgetown Working Papers in Theoretical Linguistics

2013 Reviewer, 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on African Linguistics proceedings

2013-2014 Research assistant for Ruth Kramer: Afranaph project

2012-2014 Member of University of Maryland-based research project on shifted indexicals

2011-2012 Research assistant for Ruth Kramer: Amharic language tutorial

## **IX. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ADVISING**

2018 Dialects and Narratives (Independent study with Rebecca Hicks)

Senior comprehensive project (first reader), Kai Matsubara-Rall

Thesis title: Language and Identity: A Look at Language Identity and Language  
Revitalization Movements with a Focus on Ikema

Senior comprehensive project (first reader), Sasha Mayn

Thesis title: Influence of Orthography on Spoken Word Recognition in L1 vs. L2  
Speakers of English

Senior comprehensive project (second reader), Leila Awad

Thesis title: Historical Explorations of the Modern Chinese Passive Construction

Senior comprehensive project (second reader), Malia Molina

Thesis title: Tawkin Enikain at Sku: An Examination of Hawai'i Creole English in an  
Academic Setting

Senior comprehensive project (second reader), John Cronin

Thesis title: Transfer Effects on the Syntax of the DP in the Haitian Creole of a US  
Heritage Speaker: Evidence for Language Transfer as "Parameter Toggling"

Senior comprehensive project (second reader), Anny Lei

Thesis title: On the Non-existence of Japanese Internally-headed Relative Clauses:  
Puppet Head Noun *no*

## **X. LANGUAGES**

English (native); Arabic (Modern Standard/various dialects; advanced); Hebrew (intermediate); Amharic (intermediate reading); Mehri (basic)