

Amy DiBattista

Northeastern University Department of Psychology
Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Northeastern University: Ph.D., Psychology, 2014

Thesis: "Grammatical Encoding in the Noun Phrase: Effects of Constituent Similarity and Grammatical Class"

Committee: Neal J. Pearlmutter (advisor), Joanne L. Miller, Stephen G. Harkins

Northeastern University: M.A., Psychology, 2010

Thesis: "The Relationship of Semantic Integration to Levels of Processing in Sentence Production"

Committee: Neal J. Pearlmutter (advisor), Joanne L. Miller

Emerson College: M.A., Communication Disorders (Speech-Language Pathology), 2002

Union College: B.A., Psychology/Anthropology (interdepartmental), 1998

Summa cum laude; Honors in Anthropology and Psychology

Thesis: "The Effects of Attitudes and Motivation on Adult Second-Language Acquisition"

Committee: Karen Brison, Thomas D'Andrea

Professional Experience

January, 2015–Present: Lecturer
Department of Psychology, Northeastern University

September, 2014–
January, 2015: Part-Time Lecturer
Department of Psychology, Northeastern University

Part-Time Lecturer
Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders,
Emerson College

September, 2003–
September, 2008: Speech-Language Pathologist
Multiple skilled nursing facility settings in Massachusetts

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Teaching Experience

Instructor of Record

Northeastern University: Laboratory in Cognition (Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Summer 2017)
Laboratory in Psycholinguistics (Spring 2016, Spring 2017)
Cognition (Spring 2015, Summer 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Summer 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017)
Statistics in Psychological Research (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)
Language and the Brain (Spring 2016, Spring 2017)
Seminar in Psycholinguistics (Fall 2015, Fall 2017)
Research Design in Psychology (Spring 2015)
Psychology of Language (Spring 2012, Fall 2017)

Emerson College: Cognitive Psychology (Fall 2014)

Teaching Assistant

Northeastern University: Laboratory in Cognition (Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2011)
Statistics in Psychological Research (Spring 2010)
Foundations of Psychology (Spring 2009)

Emerson College: The Brain, an introductory neuroscience course (Fall 1999, Spring 2000)

Clinical Instruction

Mentorship of clinical practica for speech-language pathology Master's degree candidates in skilled nursing facility settings (2006–2008)

Course in Development

Cross-Cultural Psychology: A psychology course examining the use of culture as a variable in research on cognition, language, social psychology, personality, and clinical psychology
This course has been proposed to Northeastern University and is under review.

Research Interests

Language production; effects of conceptual properties on syntactic planning; syntactic priming; lexical selection; aphasia; communication disorders across the lifespan

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Publication

DiBattista, A., & Pearlmutter, N. J. (2011). Effects of semantic integration on phrase and word ordering errors in production. In L. Carlson, C. Holscher, & T. Shipley (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 33rd Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society* (pp. 2295–2300). Austin, TX: Cognitive Science Society.

Conference Presentations: Posters

DiBattista, A., & Pearlmutter, N. J. (2014, March). Noun-phrase-internal structural priming in a picture-description task. Poster presented at the 27th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Columbus, OH.

DiBattista, A., & Pearlmutter, N. J. (2014, March). Timing of lexical activation in determiner–adjective–noun phrase production. Poster presented at the 27th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Columbus, OH.

DiBattista, A., & Pearlmutter, N. J. (2013, November). Timing of lexical activation in determiner–adjective–noun phrase production. Poster presented at the 54th Meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Toronto, Canada.

DiBattista, A., & Pearlmutter, N. J. (2012, July). Syntactic and semantic effects on the production of ordering errors. Poster presented at the 2012 International Workshop on Sentence Production, New York, New York.

DiBattista, A., & Pearlmutter, N. J. (2011, November). Effects of semantic, conceptual, and structural properties on the production of complex noun phrases. Poster presented at the 52nd Meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Seattle, Washington.

DiBattista, A., & Pearlmutter, N. J. (2011, March). Structure similarity and semantic integration effects on exchange error production. Poster presented at the 24th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Stanford, California.

DiBattista, A., & Pearlmutter, N. J. (2010, March). Investigating semantic integration's effects on the functional and positional levels of grammatical encoding during production. Poster presented at the 23rd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, New York, New York.

Conference Presentations: Talks, Data Briefings, and Panel Discussions

DiBattista, A. (2013). The effects of structural similarity on the production of noun phrases. Data blitz presented at the Symposium for Boston-Area Graduate Students in Psychology, Boston, Massachusetts.

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DiBattista, A. (1998). The effects of attitudes and motivation on adult second-language acquisition. Talk presented at The 8th Annual Steinmetz Symposium, Union College, Schenectady, New York.

DiGrande, A., **DiBattista, A.**, Dormer, M., & LaFleur, C. (2001). Treatment efficacy from multiple points of view: Experiences of clinicians, people who stutter, and parents of children who stutter. Panel presented at the National Stuttering Association Annual Conference, Boston, Massachusetts.

Professional Service

Panelist

Northeastern University Department of Psychology Teaching Assistant Orientation, 2017

Northeastern University Communication Science and Disorders Department panel on clinical and research careers, 2016

Northeastern University Department of Psychology panel on teaching assistantship, 2012

College of Science Graduate Student Orientation panel on teaching assistantship, 2012

Co-Founder and Organizer

Symposium for Boston-Area Graduate Students in Psychology, 2012 and 2013

Reviewer

2017 CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing

2012 Annual Meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association Conference

Honors and Awards

Phi Beta Kappa

Psi Chi

Northeastern University Graduate Student Government Individual Funding Award (2012 and 2014)

Professional Organization Membership

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association

Association for Psychological Science

Psychonomic Society