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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Language documentation, description, and preservation
Linguistic typology, functional linguistics
Historical linguistics and grammaticalization
Areal linguistics, language contact and convergence
Language and prehistory
Indigenous languages of Amazonia (Brazil; Nadahup/Makú, Tukanoan, Arawak, other families)
Linguistic anthropology (verbal art, metaphor, linguistic relativity, language and thought)

EDUCATION

2005 Ph.D. Linguistic Anthropology. University of Virginia. Dissertation: *A Grammar of Hup.*
2000 M.A. Linguistic Anthropology. University of Virginia.
1994 B.A. Anthropology, *magna cum laude*. College of William and Mary, Virginia.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2012 Endangered Languages Documentation Project Small Grant; 'Documentation of Dâw, a Nadahup language of Brazil'. Co-PI Luciana Storto.
2012 National Science Foundation grant BCS-1157867: 'Archiving the Terrence Kaufman Collection'. Tony Woodbury (PI/PD), Co-PIs Heidi Johnson, Patience Epps. Funding period: 5/1/2012 - 10/31/2014 ($245,752).
2011 Mellon Research Travel Grant (Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin); 'Documenting oral literature in Hup, an Amazonian language' ($4490).
2009 National Endowment for the Humanities (Documenting Endangered Languages) grant PD-50011-09: 'Archiving Significant Collections of Latin American Endangered Language Resources II.' Joel Sherzer (PI/PD), Co-PIs Tony Woodbury, Patience Epps, Heidi Johnson. Funding period: 09/01/2009 - 08/31/2011 ($276,985).
2009 Mellon Research Travel Grant (Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin); 'Pilot Investigation of Kakua, an unclassified language of Amazonia' ($3400).
2008 National Science Foundation grant (HSD0902114): 'Dynamics of Hunter-Gatherer Language Change'. Claire Bowern (PI/PD); Co-PI Patience Epps, Jane Hill, Keith Hunley; Collaborators John Ives, Russell Gray, and Patrick McConvell. Funding period: 3 years, 2008 - 2011, extended to 2013. (Total amount: $718,183; amount to UT/Epps: $343,928.)
2007 University Co-operative Society Subvention Grant (The University of Texas at Austin) for publication of *A Grammar of Hup* (with Mouton de Gruyter).
2007 The University of Texas at Austin 'Research Apprenticeship' award (for pilot project 'Areal-Typological Survey of Amazonian Languages').
2007 The University of Texas at Austin Summer Research Assignment award.
2003-2005 Doctoral fellowship. Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany.
2001 National Science Foundation Grant for Doctoral Dissertation Research, BCS-0111550.
2001 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant.
1999-2000 Dupont Scholarship. University of Virginia.
1999-2000 Grants for summer language study and pilot fieldwork. University of Virginia.
1999-2000 Governor's Fellowship of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. University of Virginia.
1998-2001 President's Fellowship of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. University of Virginia.

AWARDS

2007 Pāṇini Award of the Association for Linguistic Typology (competition across grammars submitted as dissertations). Awarded at the meeting of ALT, Paris, France, Sept. 27, 2007.

TEACHING

Sept. 2010–present	Associate Professor, The University of Texas at Austin.
Jan. 2006–Sept. 2010	Assistant Professor, The University of Texas at Austin.
July 27–Aug. 13, 2009	Faculty, 65th Linguistic Institute (Linguistic Society of America), The University of California, Berkeley.
2000–2001	Research/instructional Assistant, The University of Virginia.
1999–2000	Teaching Assistant, The University of Virginia.

Courses taught at The University of Texas at Austin:

Undergraduate:

Languages and Cultures of Amazonia (UGS 302)
Language Change and Language Variation (LIN 345)
Language and Thought (LIN 350)

Graduate:

Historical Linguistics (LIN 385)
Language Contact (LIN 393)
Linguistic Typology (LIN 392)
Field Methods in Linguistic Investigation (co-taught with Tony Woodbury) (LIN 385)

Conference courses in linguistics and linguistic anthropology

Invited course: Language Use in Amazonia, 65th Linguistic Institute, Berkeley CA, July-August 2009.

FIELDWORK

Hup (Amazonas, Brazil; Nadahup [Makú] family): Fieldwork in remote villages, 2000-2004, 2011.

PUBLICATIONS

Books and edited volumes

2009 Epps, Patience and Alexandre Arkhipov (eds.). *New Challenges in Typology: Transcending the Borders and Refining the Distinctions*. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter. xi + 428.

2008 *A Grammar of Hup*. (Mouton Grammar Library 43.) Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter. xxiii + 983.

Journal articles

In revision

Epps, Patience and Cynthia Hansen. 'One, two, three, brother: Numeral etymologies and language contact in Amazonia.'

Under review

Epps, Patience and Andrés Salanova. 'The languages of Amazonia'. Submitted to *Tipiti* (Journal for the Anthropology of Lowland South America).

Forthcoming

Epps, Patience and Andrés Salanova. 'As línguas da Amazonia.' Submitted to *LIAMES* (*Línguas Indígenas Americanas*). [modified version of above, in Port]

2012 Epps, Patience, Claire Bowern, Cynthia Hansen, Jane Hill, and Jason Zentz. 'On numeral complexity in hunter-gatherer languages.' *Linguistic Typology* 16: 39-107.

2011 Bowern, Claire, Patience Epps, Russell Gray, Jane Hill, Keith Hunley, Patrick McConvell, and Jason Zentz. 'Does lateral transmission obscure inheritance in hunter-gatherer languages?' *PLoS ONE* 6(9):e25195.

2010 'Linking valence change and modality: Diachronic evidence from Hup.' *International Journal of American Linguistics* 76(3):335-356.

2009 'Escape from the noun phrase: From relative clause to converb and beyond in an Amazonian language.' *Diachronica* 26(3):287-318.

2009 Epps, Patience and Herb Ladley. 'Syntax, souls, or speakers? On SIL and community language development.' In Lise Dobrin et al. 'Academic priorities, SIL International, and the past and future of linguistics' (set of associated short papers), *Language* 85(3):640-646.
2009 'Language classification, language contact, and Amazonian prehistory.' *Language and Linguistics Compass* 3(2):581-606.
2008 'Hup's typological treasures: Description and explanation in the study of an Amazonian language.' *Linguistic Typology* 12(2):169-193.
2008 'From "wood" to future tense: Nominal origins of the future construction in Hup.' *Studies in Language* 32(2):383-404.
2006 'Growing a numeral system: The historical development of numerals in an Amazonian language family.' *Diachronica* 23(2):259-288.
2005 'Areal diffusion and the development of evidentiality: Evidence from Hup.' *Studies in Language* 29(3):617-650.

Book chapters (refereed)

Under review
Epps, Patience. 'Temperature terms in Hup, a Nadahup language of Amazonia.' In *The Linguistics of Temperature*, ed. by Maria Koptjevskaja-Tamm. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.

Forthcoming
Epps, Patience and Kelsey Neely. 'Movimiento y orientación en construcciones verbales: una perspectiva amazónica'. *Verbos de movimiento en lenguas de América: léxico, sintaxis y pragmática*, Lilián Guerrero (ed.)

Forthcoming
Epps, Patience and Melissa Oliveira. 'Upper Rio Negro astronomies: At the intersection of daily life, ritual, and verbal art'. In Epps and Stenzel (eds.) *Cultural and linguistic interaction in the Upper Rio Negro Region (Amazonia)*.

Forthcoming
Brown, Cecil H., Eike Luedeling, Soeren Wichmann, & Patience Epps. 'The paleobiolinguistics of domesticated squash (*Cucurbita* spp.).' In *Explorations in Ethnobiology: The Legacy of Amadeo Rea*, ed. by Dana Lepofsky and Marsha Quinlan.

Forthcoming
'Reduplication in Hup.' For a volume on reduplication in Amazonian languages, ed. by Gale Goodwin Gómez and Hein van der Voort. Leiden: Brill.

Forthcoming
'Language and subsistence patterns in the Amazonian Vaupés.' In *The Languages of Hunter-gatherers: Global and Historical Perspectives*, edited by Tom Güldemann, Richard Rhodes, and Patrick McConvell. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

2012 'Between headed and headless relative clauses.' In *Typological and Empirical Studies of Relative Clauses*, edited by Zarina Estrada and Bernard Comrie. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
2012 'On form and function in language contact: A case study from the Amazonian Vaupés region.' In *Dynamics of Contact-Induced Language Change,* edited by Isabelle Léglise and Claudine Chamoreau. Berlin: de Gruyter Mouton.
2011 'Reciprocal constructions in Hup.' *Reciprocals and Semantic Typology*, edited by Nicholas Evans, Alice Gaby, Stephen Levinson and Asifa Majid, pp.315-328. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
2010 'Linguistic typology and language documentation.' *The Oxford Handbook of Linguistic Typology*, edited by Jae Jung Song. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
2009 'Loanwords in Hup, a Nadahup language of Amazonia.' *Loanwords in the world's languages: a comparative handbook*, edited by Martin Haspelmath and Uri Tadmor. Berlin and New York: De Gruyter Mouton.
2009 (with Alexandre Arkhipov) 'Introduction.' In *New Challenges in Typology: Transcending the Borders and Refining the Distinctions*, edited by Patience Epps and Alexandre Arkhipov, pp. 1-8. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter.
2009 'Where differential object marking and split plurality intersect: Evidence from Hup.' In *New Challenges in Typology: Transcending the Borders and Refining the Distinctions*, edited by Patience Epps and Alexandre Arkhipov, pp. 85-104. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter.
2008 'Grammatical borrowing in Hup.' *Grammatical Borrowing: A Cross-linguistic Survey*, edited by

Yaron Matras and Jeanette Sakel, pp. 551-565. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter.

2007 'Birth of a noun classification system: The case of Hup.' *Language endangerment and endangered languages: Linguistic and anthropological studies with special emphasis on the languages and cultures of the Andean-Amazonian border area*, Indigenous Languages of Latin America series (ILLA), edited by Leo Wetzels, pp. 107-128. Publications of the Research School of Asian, African, and Amerindian Studies (CNWS). Leiden University, The Netherlands.

2007 'The Vaupés melting pot: Tucanoan influence on Hup.' *Grammars in Contact: A Cross-linguistic Typology*, edited by Alexandra Aikhenvald and R.M.W. Dixon. Explorations in Linguistic Typology 4, pp. 267-289. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Reviews

In press

'Review of *Subordination in Native South American Languages*, ed. by Rik van Gijn, Katharina Haude, and Pieter Muysken (Amsterdam: John Benjamins)'. Invited review, *Language*.

2011 'Review of *A Grammar of Cavineña*, by Antoine Guillaume.' Invited review, *Anthropological Linguistics* 53(1):77-79.

2009 'Review of *Linguistic Fieldwork*, by Claire Bowern.' Invited review, *Linguistic Typology* 13(3):491-498.

Other publications

2010 'A escola entre os Hupd'äh do Alto Rio Negro: encontrando um caminho.' ['School among the Hupd'äh of the Upper Rio Negro: finding a path.'] Invited chapter in *Viviendo en el Bosque: Ensayos Sobre los Makú del Noroeste Amazónico*, edited by Gabriel Cabrera. Universidade Nacional de Colombia - Sede Medellín.

2009 'Hup vocabulary.' *World Loanword Database*. edited by Martin Haspelmath and Uri Tadmor. Munich: Max Planck Digital Library. (Online at www.loanwords. info.)

2009 'O nascimento de um sistema de classificação nominal,' ['Birth of a noun classification system'], (revised and translated version of Epps 2007, in Wetzels [ed.]). Invited contribution to *ReVEL (Revista Virtual do Estudo da Linguagem*, a Brazilian linguistics journal); special edition on indigenous languages of Brazil, edited by Wilson Silva.

2005 'Language endangerment in Amazonia: The role of missionaries.' *Bedrohte Vielfalt: Aspects of Language Death*, edited by Jan Wolgemuth and Tyko Dirksmeyer, pp. 311-328. Berliner Beiträge zur Linguistik, Berlin: Weissensee.

2003 Liszkowski, Ulf and Patience Epps. 'Directing attention and pointing in infants: a cross-cultural approach.' *Field Research Manual,* vol. 1, edited by Nick Enfield (page numbers unavailable). Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen; Language and Cognition Group.

Community language materials

2005 (compiler) *Hupd'äh nɨh pɨnɨgd'äh* [Stories of the Hupd'äh]. Book of 15 traditional Hup stories, as told and illustrated by community members. iv + 64.

2004 *Hup ɨd hɨ' k'æt, Alfabeto Hup* [Hup Alphabet Book]. Learner's guide to Hup orthography, illustrated by community members. i + 32.

In preparation

Bowern, Claire, Catherine Sheard, Barry Alpher, Patience Epps, Jane Hill, & Patrick McConvell. 'Flora-Fauna etymology among hunter-gatherer groups.'

Epps, Patience. 'Historical linguistics and socio-cultural reconstruction.' In *The Routledge Handbook of Historical Linguistics*, ed. by Claire Bowern and Bethwyn Evans.

Epps, Patience and Kristine Stenzel (eds.) *Upper Rio Negro: Cultural and linguistic interaction in northwestern Amazonia*. Rio de Janeiro: Museu do Índio-FUNAI.

Epps, Patience and Lev Michael. 'Language contact in Amazonia'. In *The Cambridge Handbook of Areal Linguistics*, ed. by Raymond Hickey. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Hill, Jane, Patrick McConvell, Claire Bowern, & Patience Epps. 'Wanderwörter in hunter-gatherer languages'.

Epps, Patience, Na'ama Pat-El, and John Huehnergard (eds.). *Contact Among Genetically Related Languages*. Special edition of the *Journal of Language Contact.*

Brown, Cecil H., Eike Luedeling, Soeren Wichmann, & Patience Epps. *Paleobiolinguistic Atlas of Domesticated Crops in the Americas*.

INVITED TALKS

2012 *Encontro das línguas, encontro das águas: Portuguese and indigenous languages in the Brazilian Amazon*. 19th Hispanic Forum, University of Vermont, Oct. 12.

2012 *Tracing the histories of morphologically complex forms: Inheritance, calquing, or independent innovation?* Symposium on Contact Among Genetically Related Languages, UT Austin, April 21.

2012 *Linguistic diversity, language contact, and the Amazonian puzzle.* Keynote talk, SALSA XX, UT Austin, April 13.

2012 *On linguistic diversity and large-scale contact effects: The case of Amazonia.* Keynote talk, Berkeley Linguistics Society, 38th Meeting, February 11.

2011 *Phonological diffusion in the Amazonian Vaupés.* Keynote talk, CUNY Phonology Forum Conference on the Phonology of Endangered Languages, New York, January 12.

2011 *Amazonian nominal classification in diachronic perspective: Implications for relative clause typology.* Invited Symposium on Historical Linguistics, LSA Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, Jan 8.

2011 *Language contact and foragers of the northwest Amazon.* Invited Symposium on Minority Language Contact, LSA/SSILA Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, January 8.

2010 (With Katherine Bolaños) *Spatial categorization in the Vaupés region (Amazonia): Subsistence pattern and areal context*. Workshop on Hunter-Gatherers and Semantic Categories, Neuwied, Germany, June 1.

2010 *Language and subsistence in Amazonia.* Workshop on Hunter-Gatherers and Semantic Categories, Neuwied, Germany, May 31.

2009 *Valence change and the origin of modals: Evidence from Hup (Amazonia)*. Yale Historical Linguistics Series, Yale University, Nov. 30.

2008 *Linguistic clues to ancient puzzles: Indigenous foraging and farming in Amazonia*. Panel 'Indigenous Land Use Patterns', Amazon Week, University of Texas at Austin, March 6.

2007 *Escape from the noun phrase: The adventures of a relative clause*. Seminario de Complejidad Sintáctica, University of Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico, November 15.

2007 *Hup, a language of northwest Amazonia*. Plenary talk, Meeting of the Association for Linguistic Typology, Paris, France, September 27.

2007 *Linguists and missionaries: An Amazonian perspective*. Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Anaheim, CA, January 6.

2006 *The Hup compound verb and the mass-production of grammatical morphology*. Seminário de Complejidad Sintáctica, University of Sonora, Hermosillo, Mexico, November 13.

2006 *Language and subsistence patterns in the Amazonian Vaupés*. Workshop on Historical Linguistics and Hunter-Gatherer Populations in Global Perspective, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, August 12.

2006 *Reciprocals in Hup*. Workshop on Reciprocals and Semantic Typology, Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen, The Netherlands, April 21.

2005 *Hup reciprocals*. University of Melbourne, Australia, June 23.

2005 *The Vaupés melting pot: Tukanoan influence on Hup.* International Workshop on Grammars in Contact, Research Institute for Linguistic Typology, Latrobe University, Melbourne, Australia, June 15.

2004 *Language contact at the forager-agriculturalist interface*. Institute Seminar, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, October 22.

2004 *An introduction to Hup.* Child Language Group, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, October 14.

2004 *Promiscuous forms: polyfunctional valence-adjusting morphemes in Hup.* Americanists Seminar, Radboud University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands, May 3.

2004 *What's in a name? Noun compounding, inalienable possession, and incipient nominal classification in Hup.* The University of Texas at Austin, March 8.

OTHER PRESENTATIONS

2012 Respondent for Na'ama Pat-El: 'Subordination in Semitic: reconstructing the relative'. The 1st UT-Austin International Workshop on Historical and Comparative Semitic Linguistics, 13-14 October.

2011 *The development of numeral systems: Insights from hunter-gatherer languages.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Academy for the Advancement of Science, Feb. 20, Washington, D.C.

2010 *Loans and lexical innovation in three Amazonian language families*. Workshop: The Dynamics of Hunter-Gatherer Language Change, University of Arizona, Tucson, March 6.

2010 *Linguistic affinity or cultural stereotype? The 'Makú' language family of northwest Amazonia.* Meeting of Society for the Anthropology of Lowland South America, San Antonio TX, January 16.

2009 (with Katherine Bolaños) *Linguistic classification of Kakua, a language of northwest Amazonia.* CILLA-IV conference, The University of Texas at Austin. October 31.

2009 *Between headed and headless relatives: Evidence from Amazonia.* Meeting of the Association for Linguistic Typology, University of California Berkeley, July 24.

2009 *The verb 'be, exist' as a Vaupés areal feature*. 53rd International Congress of Americanists, Mexico City, July 22.

2009 *Reduplication in Hup*. 53rd International Congress of Americanists, Mexico City, July 20.

2009 (With Cynthia Hansen) *Amazonian numeral systems: Language contact, language change, and socio-economic parameters*. Workshop 'Dynamics of Hunter-Gatherer Language Change', The University of Texas at Austin, March 26.

2008 *Linking valence change and modality: Diachronic evidence from Hup (Amazonia)*. Chronos 8, The University of Texas at Austin, October 3.

2008 (With Greg Finley and Dhananjay Jagannathan) *An areal-typological survey of Amazonian languages*. Poster presentation, Conference on Endangered Languages and Cultures of Native America (CELCNA), University of Utah, March 28.

2007 *On word order patterns in interrogatives: Typological revisions from Amazonia.* CILLA-III conference, The University of Texas at Austin. October 25.

2007 *Grammaticalization and deaffixation in the verb compound: The case of Hup (Nadahup, Brazil)*. International Conference on Historical Linguistics, Montreal, Canada, August 6.

2007 *Verb compounding and antigrammaticalization in Hup (Nadahup, Brazil).* Symposium on Endangered Languages of Amazonia, The University of Texas at Austin, February 16.

2007 *Hup (Amazonia) and the typology of question formation*. Meeting of SSILA (Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas), Anaheim, CA, January 6.

2006 *Hup and loanword typology*. Loanword Typology Workshop, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, August 13.

2005 *Loanwords in Hup.* Loanword Typology Workshop, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, June 6.

2005 *The tale of a promiscuous morpheme: grammaticalization in Hup.* Meeting of SSILA (Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas), January 6.

2004 *Questions in Hup: A case-study of interrogatives in an Amazonian language.* Workshop on Questions, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, October 15.

2004 *Birth of a noun classification system: the case of Hup*. Symposium on Languages and Cultures of the Amazonian-Andean Border, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, The Netherlands, August 27.

2004 *Language contact and the forager-agriculturalist interface: Lexical innovation and borrowing in the Vaupés-Japura language family*. Loanword Typology Workshop, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, May 2.

2004 *Tracing the development of numerals in the Vaupés-Japura (Makú) family*. Workshop on Numerals in the World's Languages, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany, March 30.

2004 *From 'wood' to future tense: Nominal origins of the future construction in Hup*. Meeting of SSILA (Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas), Boston, MA, Jan. 10.

2003 *Evidentiality as an areal feature: Evidence from Hup*. CILLA-I conference, The University of Texas at Austin, October 24.

2002 *A língua Hup*. Department of Linguistics, Universidade Fédéral do Pará, Belém, Brazil, August 20.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

Service:
Editorial Advisory Board, *Diachronica*
Editorial Advisory Board, Mouton de Gruyter series on Language Documentation
Executive Committee, Association for Linguistic Typology
Executive Committee, Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas
Panini Grammar Prize jury member (Association for Linguistic Typology), 2011
Co-director, Archive of the Indigenous Languages of Latin America (AILLA)

Reviewing:
Ad-hoc reviewing for *Language; Diachronica; Studies in Language; International Journal of American Linguistics; Linguistics; Morphology; Language, Meaning, and Society; Anthropological Linguistics; Language Documentation and Description; Journal of Anthropological Research; ICHL Proceedings;* National Science Foundation; ELDP; University of Nebraska Press; various edited volumes.

Memberships:
Linguistic Society of America (LSA)
Society for the Study of Indigenous Languages of the Americas (SSILA)
Association for Linguistic Typology (ALT)
Steering committee, Center for Indigenous Languages of Latin America (CILLA), UT Austin
Society for the Anthropology of Lowland South America (SALSA)
Society of Ethnobiology
Associação Brasileira para o Estudo de Línguas Indígenas (ABELI)

Other:
Ongoing work with indigenous teachers in Hupd'äh communities on issues relating to orthography development and native-language literacy, including development of pedagogical materials.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

	Reading	*Speaking*
English	native	native
French	proficient	proficient
Portuguese	proficient	proficient
Hup (Nadahup/Makú)	n/a	proficient
Spanish	proficient	conversational
German	basic	conversational

Structural familiarity with languages of the Nadahup, Tukanoan and Arawak families.

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