

# Curriculum Vitæ

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## Current Position & Affiliation

*Associate scientist 2<sup>nd</sup> class* in Linguistics,  
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## Areas of Specialization

- Formal Linguistics
- Semantics
- Syntax
- Field work

## Education & Academic Degrees

- march 2011 Ph.D. in Linguistics at UCLA (Committee: Dominique Sportiche and Philippe Schlenker (co-chairs), Timothy Stowell, Jessica Rett)  
Thesis: [“Polarity and Modality”](#)
- 2008-2010 Leave of absence from UCLA, spent as *Agrégé-préparateur* at the ENS-Paris
- 2007 M.A. in Linguistics at UCLA (Advisor: Philippe Schlenker)  
Thesis: [“Intervention Effects: The Case of Presuppositions”](#)
- 2005 Admitted to the UCLA Graduate program in Linguistics
- 2000 Diplôme d’Études Approfondies (Master’s degree) in Philosophy, Université de Tours (Advisor: Catherine Chevalley), Mention Très Bien  
Thesis: [“La Rupture avec la science classique chez Niels Bohr”](#)
- 1999-2000 Visiting student at the Philosophy Department, Princeton University
- 1999 Agrégation in Philosophy (national competitive exam), Rank: 3<sup>rd</sup> (out of more than 2,000 candidates)
- 1997 Maîtrise in Philosophy, Université de Paris 10 (Advisor: Michel Fichant), Mention Très Bien  
Thesis: [“Le Problème du mouvement chez Leibniz”](#)
- 1995 Admitted to the École normale supérieure (national competitive exam), Rank: 27<sup>th</sup> (out of more than 2,000 candidates)

## Languages

Native: French

Fluent: English

I took an intensive ASL course at UCLA (8 weeks, Summer 2012)

I can speak Spanish and Italian. I can read German, Latin and Greek, and I have studied Arabic and Farsi

## Publications

- 2012a Chemla, Emmanuel, Vincent Homer and Daniel Rothschild, “Modularity and Intuitions in Formal Semantics: The Case of Negative Polarity Items”, *Linguistics and Philosophy*.
- 2012b Homer, Vincent, “Domains of Polarity Items”, *Journal of Semantics* (accepted with minor revisions).
- 2012c Homer, Vincent, “As Simple as It Seems”, in *Proceedings of the 18<sup>th</sup> Amsterdam colloquium*.
- 2012d Homer, Vincent, “Neg-raising and Positive Polarity: The View from Modals”, *Semantics and Pragmatics* (accepted with minor revisions).
- 2010a Homer, Vincent, “French Modals and Perfective: A Case of Aspectual Coer-

- cion”, in *Proceedings of WCCFL xxviii*.
- 2010b Homer, Vincent, “Epistemic Modals: High ma non troppo”, in *Proceedings of NELS xl*.
- 2009a Homer, Vincent, “Backward Control in Samoan”, in *Proceedings of AFLA xvi*.
- 2009b Homer, Vincent and Tomoko Ishizuka, “Looking at Japanese Causatives from a French Perspective”, in *Proceedings of CLS xlv*.
- 2008a Homer, Vincent, “Presuppositions Can Be Disruptors Too: A Case Against Strawson-Entailment”, in *Proceedings of WCCFL xxvii*, Cascadilla.
- 2008b Homer, Vincent, “Disruption of NPI Licensing: The Case of Presuppositions”, in *Proceedings of SALT xviii*, CLC Publications.

### Presentations

- 2014a Bhatt, Rajesh and Vincent Homer, “The Interpretation of Infinitival Negation in Hindi-Urdu”, *FASAL iv*, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, March 30 2014.
- 2014b Homer, Vincent, “Anatomy of ne...que”, *WCCFL xxxii*, USC, Los Angeles, March 9 2014.
- 2014c Homer, Vincent and Carlo Geraci, “Decomposing Negative Modals into their Syntactic Atoms”, *WCCFL xxxii*, USC, Los Angeles, March 8 2014 (poster).
- 2013a Homer, Vincent, “On the Nonexistence of Negative Quantifiers: The Case of Haitian Creole”, *Seminar on Creole Languages*, Université Paris 8, Saint-Denis, October 7 2013.
- 2013b Homer, Vincent and Carlo Geraci, “Can’t we Make It Possible? Maybe (Not)”, *TISLR xi*, UCL, London, July 12 2013 (poster).
- 2013c Homer, Vincent, “Polarity and Grammar”, UCL, London, April 9 2013 (invited talk).
- 2013d Homer, Vincent and Tristan Thommen, “Remarks on a Language with No Overt Negation”, the 14<sup>th</sup> *Szklarska Poreba Workshop*, Szklarska Poreba, Poland, March 1-4 2013.
- 2013e Homer, Vincent, “Polarity and Grammar”, UMass, Amherst, March 1<sup>st</sup> 2013 (invited talk).
- 2013f Homer, Vincent, “Escape!”, UMass, Amherst, February 28 2013 (invited talk).
- 2013g Homer, Vincent, “Polarity and Grammar”, UConn, Storrs, February 25 2013 (invited talk).
- 2013h Homer, Vincent, “Polarity and Grammar”, UT Arlington, February 8 2013 (invited talk).
- 2012a Homer, Vincent, “What *ne...que* Presupposes”, *LANGUAGE Seminar*, École normale supérieure, Paris, December 19 2012.
- 2012b Homer, Vincent, “Why Do Modals Vary?”, three-lecture series, *EALing 2012*, École normale supérieure, Paris, September 14-16 2012 (invited talks).
- 2012c Homer, Vincent, “As Simple as It Seems”, *BLS xxxviii*, UC Berkeley, February 12 2012.

- 2011a Homer, Vincent, “As Simple as It Seems”, the 18<sup>th</sup> *Amsterdam colloquium*, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, December 19 2011.
- 2011b Homer, Vincent, “To Possess and to Control: Genitive DPs in Samoan”, the *Case by Case Workshop*, École normale supérieure, Paris, October 22 2011 (invited talk).
- 2011c Homer, Vincent, “Neg-raising: The View from Modals”, the *Speaking of Time and Possibility Workshop II*, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, June 4 2011 (invited talk).
- 2011d Homer, Vincent, “On the Dependent Character of NPI Licensing”, *SALT XXI*, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, May 21 2011 (poster).
- 2011e Homer, Vincent and Dominique Sportiche, “Clitics in French Causatives: Wait and See”, *GLOW xxxiv*, University of Vienna, Austria, April 28 2011.
- 2011f Homer, Vincent, “On the Dependent Character of PI Licensing”, the *Intervention from a Semantic Perspective Workshop* at *GLOW xxxiv*, University of Vienna, Austria, April 27 2011.
- 2010a Homer, Vincent, “Domaines des items à polarité” (in French), *LingLunch*, Université Paris-Diderot, December 16 2010 (invited talk).
- 2010b Chemla, Emmanuel, Vincent Homer and Daniel Rothschild, “NPIs: Language Meets Logic, Subjectively”, *Euro-XPRAG Workshop*, Leuven, June 12 2010.
- 2010c Homer, Vincent, “French Modals and Perfective: A Case of Aspectual Coercion”, *JSM*, Loria-Inria, Nancy, March 25-26 2010.
- 2010d Homer, Vincent, “French Modals and Perfective: A Case of Aspectual Coercion”, *WCCFL xxviii*, USC, Los Angeles, February 19-21 2010.
- 2009a Homer, Vincent, “Epistemic Modals: High ma non troppo”, *NELS xl*, MIT, Boston, November 13-15 2009.
- 2009b Homer, Vincent, “Backward Control in Samoan”, *AFLA xvi*, UCSC, Santa Cruz, May 1-3 2009.
- 2009c Homer, Vincent, “Backward Control in Samoan”, *CLS xlv*, University of Chicago, Chicago, April 16-18 2009.
- 2009d Homer, Vincent and Tomoko Ishizuka, “Looking at Japanese Causatives from a French Perspective”, *CLS xlv*, University of Chicago, Chicago, April 16-18 2009.
- 2009e Homer, Vincent, Tomoko Ishizuka and Dominique Sportiche, “The Locality of Clitic Placement and the Analysis of French Causatives”, *LSRL xxxix*, University of Arizona, Tucson, March 26-29 2009.
- 2009f Homer, Vincent, Tomoko Ishizuka and Dominique Sportiche, “The Locality of Clitic Placement and the Analysis of French Causatives”, *GLOW in Asia vii*, EFL-U Hyderabad, February 25-29 2009.
- 2009g Homer, Vincent, “Presuppositions Can Disrupt NPI Licensing”, presentation at Ivano Caponigro’s Semantics Seminar, UCSD, San Diego, February 17 2009 (invited talk).
- 2008a Homer, Vincent, “Presuppositions Can Be Disruptors Too: A Case Against Strawson-Entailment”, *WCCFL xxvii*, UCLA, Los Angeles, May 16-18 2008.

- 2008b Homer, Vincent, “Disruption of NPI Licensing: The Case of Presuppositions”, *SALT XVIII*, UMass Amherst, March 21-23 2008.
- 2003 Homer, Vincent, “Évolution et développement : vers une nouvelle synthèse ?”, *Congrès de la Société Française de Philosophie Analytique*, Montréal, September 2003.

## Teaching

- 2008-2013 Lecturer in Linguistics at the École normale supérieure-Paris. At the graduate and undergraduate level (**Cogmaster** and **Lingmaster**): Formal and Experimental Semantics, Advanced Syntax, Introduction to Language, Field Methods (on French Sign Language and Haitian Creole)
- 2007-2008 Instructor of Undergraduate Syntax I at UCLA, Summer Session
- 2006-2008 T.A. in Linguistics at UCLA: Introduction to Language, Introduction to Linguistics, Undergraduate Syntax I, Undergraduate Syntax II, Language Development, Mathematical Linguistics
- 2001-2005 Instructor in Philosophy at the University of Paris 4 Sorbonne, Paris: Introduction to the history of Philosophy, Introduction to general Philosophy (classes on the topics of “Identity” and “Wisdom” (2001-2002), “Representation” and “Education” (2002-2003), “Truth” (2003), “Memory” and “Individuality” (2004-2005))

## Advising

- 2012-present Ph.D. committee member of Jun Yashima (UCLA)

### COGMASTER AND LINGMASTER STUDENTS; VISITING STUDENTS

- 2011-present Deniz Özyıldız (indexical shifting in Turkish)
- 2012-2013 Tristan Thommen (exceptives in French), Giorgia Zorzi (pronominal binding in Italian; reciprocals in Italian), Gemson Petit-Frère (complementizer *pou* in Haitian Creole)
- 2011-2012 Hongzhou Lin (copular sentences in Mandarin), Benjamin Storme (French pronoun *ce*)
- 2010-2011 Lisa Roche (future and periphrastic future in French), Maša Močnik (*can* with perception verbs in English)

## Academic Service

### EDITORIAL BOARDS

- 2013-present *Semantics and Pragmatics*

## REVIEWS FOR JOURNALS

- 2013-present *Semantics and Pragmatics, Journal of Historical Syntax*
- 2012-present *Lingua, Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*
- 2011-present *Linguistic Inquiry*
- 2010-present *Journal of Linguistics*
- 2008-present *Natural Language Semantics*

## REVIEWS FOR CONFERENCES

- 2014-present WCCFL
- 2013-present SALT, CSSP
- 2012-present GLOW, Sinn und Bedeutung, RALFe
- 2010 AFLA

## ORGANIZER

- 2013 Co-editor of the proceedings of the international conference *Sinn und Bedeutung 17*, ENS-Paris, September 2012
- 2012 Co-organizer of the international conference *Sinn und Bedeutung 17*, ENS-Paris, September 2012
- 2010 Organizer of the international conference *Formal and Experimental Approaches to Sign Language in Paris*, ENS-Paris, Oct. 8-9 2010
- 2007-present Co-organizer of EALing (Fall School in Linguistics), ENS-Paris
- 2010-2011 Coordinator for Sign Language in the *IEC Ling* group at the *Institut d'étude de la cognition* at the ENS

## COMMITTEES

- 2008 Member of the Syntax Professor Search Committee, UCLA
- 2007-2008 Member of the Colloquium Committee, Department of Linguistics, UCLA
- 2006-2007 Member of the Teaching Evaluations Committee, Department of Linguistics, UCLA

## VARIA

- 2011-present Language expert (French, Samoan) for *Syntactic Structures of the World's Languages*

## Grants & Fellowships

### GRANTS

- 2010 BQR grant (€ 15,000): Project on comparative syntax of sign languages
- 2009-2010 Euro-XPRAG grant (joint project with Emmanuel Chemla (IJN/LSCP, ENS-

Paris) and Daniel Rothschild (All Souls College, Oxford): “Negative Polarity: Licensing Conditions and Connections to Scalar Implicatures”

#### FELLOWSHIPS

2008 Linguistics Department Fellowship (\$ 1,400)  
2007 UCLA QGE Summer Fellowship (\$ 4,700)  
2006 UCLA QGE Summer Fellowship (\$ 4,000)

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