

# Hanna Muller

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## Education

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### PhD Linguistics

*University of Maryland*

SUPERVISORS: Dr. Colin Phillips and Dr. Ellen Lau

**Expected 2022**

*College Park, MD*

### BA Language and Mind

*New York University*

Magna Cum Laude

MINORS: Spanish, Mathematics, Computer Science

HONORS THESIS TITLE: *The Absentive in German*

HONORS THESIS SUPERVISOR: Dr. Stephanie Harves

**2016**

*New York, NY*

## Awards and Honors

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### Howard Lasnik Award for Distinguished Teaching by a Graduate Student

*University of Maryland Department of Linguistics*

2021

### Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award

*University of Maryland Graduate School*

2020

### Teaching Innovation Fellowship

*University of Maryland*

2020

### Jacob K. Goldhaber travel grant

*University of Maryland*

2019

### Language Science Fellowship

*NSF NRT training program, University of Maryland*

2018–2022

### Graduate Research Fellowship Program Honorable Mention

*NSF*

2018

### Flagship Fellowship

*University of Maryland*

2017–2022

### Phi Beta Kappa

*New York University Chapter*

2016

### Undergraduate Research Conference award winner

*New York University*

2016

### Robert A. Fowkes Award

*New York University Linguistics department award*

2016

### Joseph Jerome Research Scholar

*New York University Dean's Undergraduate Research Fund grant recipient*

2016

**Presidential Honors Scholar**  
New York University

2012–2016

## Research Positions

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**Language engineer intern**

Amazon Web Services  
Lex team, Nancy Clarke

**Summer 2019**

Boston, MA

**Lab manager**

University of Maryland Department of Linguistics  
Cognitive Neuroscience of Language lab, Dr. Colin Phillips

**2016–2017**

College Park, MD

**Research assistant**

New York University Department of Linguistics  
Dr. Lucas Champollion

**2015–2016**

New York, NY

## Publications

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**Muller, H.**, de Dios Flores, Joly, C., Balachandran, L., Resnik, P., Phillips, C. (in prep) *The timecourse of NPI illusions*.

de Dios Flores, **Muller, H.**, Phillips, C. (submitted) *The selectivity and interpretation of NPI illusions*.

**Muller, H.**, Gaston, P., Dickerson, B., Liter, A., Durvasula, K., Goodhue, D., Hirzel, M., Hitczenko, K., Kandel, M., Lyskawa, P., Nelligan, J., Papillon, M., Parrish, A., Perkins, L. (in revision) *Gender bias in representation and publishing rates across subfields of Linguistics*.

Phillips, C., Gaston, P., Huang, N., **Muller, H.** (2019) *Theories all the way down: remarks on “theoretical” and “experimental” linguistics*. Grant Goodall (Ed.): Cambridge Handbook of Experimental Syntax, Cambridge University Press.

**Muller, H.**, Phillips, C. (2018) *Negative polarity illusions*. Viviane Deprez, Maria Teresa Espinal (Ed.): Oxford Handbook of Negation, Oxford University Press.

## Refereed Conference Presentations

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**Muller, H.**, de Dios Flores, Phillips, C. (2021) *Illicit scope interpretations are not the cause of NPI illusions. They might be a consequence*. Talk at Universität Konstanz workshop on Linguistic illusions in sentence processing.

**Muller, H.**, de Dios Flores, Joly, C., I., Resnik, P., Phillips, C. (2020) *An environment-based account of negative polarity illusions*. Talk at XPrag.de Workshop on the Processing of Negation and Polarity.

**Muller, H.**, Resnik, P., Phillips, C. (2020) *Explaining item-wise variability in Moses illusions*. Talk at 33rd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

**Muller, H.**, de Dios Flores, I., Phillips, C. (2019) *Not (just) any licensors cause negative polarity illusions*. Talk at Psycholinguistics in Iceland – Parsing and Prediction, University of Iceland, Reykjavík.

**Muller, H.**, Gaston, P., Dickerson, B., Liter, A., Durvasula, K., Hirzel, M., Hitczenko, K., Kandel, M., Lyskawa, P., Nelligan, J., Papillon, M., Perkins, L. (2019) *Gender bias in representation and publishing rates across subfields*. Talk at the 93rd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, New York, NY.

Burnsky, J., Darley, E., **Muller, H.**, Buffinton, J., Phillips, C. (2017) *Interpreting negation in incomplete propositions*. Talk at 30th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**Muller, H.** (2016) *The Absentive in German*. Hunter Undergraduate Linguistics and Language Studies (HULLS), Hunter College, New York, NY.

## Refereed Conference Posters

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**Muller, H.**, Joly, C., de Dios Flores, I., Resnik, P., Phillips, C. (2020) *Timing and (mis) interpretation of NPI illusions*. Poster at 33rd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

**Muller, H.**, de Dios Flores, I., Phillips, C. (2019) *Not (just) any licensors cause negative polarity illusions*. Poster at 32nd Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Colorado Boulder.

de Dios Flores, I., **Muller, H.**, Phillips, C. (2017) *Negative polarity illusions: licensors that don't cause illusions, and blockers that do*. Poster at 30th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

## Invited Talks

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**Muller, H.** (2021) *Now you see it, now you don't: What the specificity of two linguistic illusions can tell us about sentence processing*. University of Massachusetts Amherst Department of Psychology Cognitive Brown Bag talk series.

**Muller, H.**, Phillips, C. (2021) *Real-time licensing and interpretation of negation and negative polarity*. Negation in natural language workshop, Goethe Universität Frankfurt.

**Muller, H.** (2020) *Incremental Interpretation and Negative Polarity Illusions*. Harvard University Language and Cognition talk series.

Gaston, P., **Muller, H.** (2019) *Replicability, effect sizes, & power*. University of Maryland Hearing and Speech department colloquium.

## Non-refereed Workshop Presentations

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**Muller, H.**, de Dios Flores, I., Phillips, C. (2018) *No-licensors yield NPI illusions, but not-licensors don't*. Talk at ECO-5 workshop, University of Massachusetts Amherst.

**Muller, H.** (2016) *The Absentive in German*. Undergraduate Research Conference, New York University.

## Teaching Experience

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**LING449F - Topics in Psycholinguistics: A Deep Dive into Shallow Processing** *Spring 2021*

*Instructor* (online course)

Designed syllabus and all instructional materials and evaluations

Taught bi-weekly seminar for 11 students

Graded and provided feedback on all assignments

**LING440 - Grammars and Cognition** *Fall 2020*

*Teaching Assistant* (online course)

Graded and provided feedback on written assignments

Taught guest lecture on sentence processing

**LING200 - Introductory Linguistics** *Spring 2020*

*Teaching Assistant* (transitioned to online course mid-semester)

Planned and taught weekly discussions for 25-student section

Graded and provided feedback on written assignments

**LING200 - Introductory Linguistics** *Fall 2018*

*Teaching Assistant*

Planned and taught weekly discussions for 30-student section

Graded and provided feedback on written assignments

## Academic Service

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**Linguistics Graduate Student Association** representative *2020*

**Mayfest organizing committee member** (annual linguistics workshop) *2017–2018*

**Research committee member, Language Science Center** *2017–2018*

## Professional Memberships

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Linguistics Society of America

## Skills

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**Languages** English (native); German (intermediate); Spanish (intermediate)

**Programming** proficient in Python, R; familiar with C, Java, Haskell

**Experiment tools** Figure Eight, Amazon Mechanical Turk, Ibex, Psychopy, Linger, eye-tracking, electroencephalography (EEG)

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