INVITED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

2. **1981.** “From referential to honorific usage: The case of kinship terminologies.” University of North Carolina: Chapel Hill. (March)
3. **1984a.** “Gullah, that mysterious language variety on the coast of Georgia and South Carolina.” Georgia College, Milledgeville. (January 20)
8. **1986a.** “Pidgins, creoles, and the study of language.” University of Illinois, Urbana, 14 March
10. **1986c.** “Kinship in Europe and Africa: A linguistic point of view.” Instituto Linguistiko Antiano and the University of Netherlands Antilles, August.
13. **1987c.** “English pidgins: Form and function.” University of Illinois, Urbana, for the International English Fest, 4 May.
14. **1987d.** “Pidginization and creolization: An evolutionary biology analogue.” Northwestern University, 5 May.
16. **1988a.** “Is Black English a barrier to learning.” Atlanta University. (April)
17. **1988b.** “Absence of the copula in Black English: An alternative plausible account.” American Dialect Society meeting, Arlington, Texas (October)
18. **1988c.** “Why grammars are not monolithic.” Dept. of English, University of South Carolina, Columbia. (December)
19. **1989a.** “Creoles and Universal Grammar.” Max Planck Institute, Nijmegen. (March)
20. **1989b.** “On the infinitive in Gullah.” Dept. of Linguistics, University of Chicago. (18 April; Part of 3-speaker round table on infinitives.)
21. **1989c.** “Creoles and Universal Grammar.” Dept. of Linguistics, University of Delaware. (May)


28. **1991a.** “The study of African American speech: What may be gained from it.” Humanities Center, University of Georgia, 5 Nov.

29. **1991b.** “How we delimit nouns and verbs to suit our purposes.” Georgia Technological Institute, 8 Nov.


37. **1992g.** Lingua francas and pidginization in Sub-Saharan Africa.” Indiana University, African Studies Group, 4 November.


41. **1993d.** “Gullah’s development: Myths and sociohistorical facts.” In Language Variety in the South II Conference, Auburn University, 1-3 April.
42. 1993e. “Grammaire Universelle et la genèse des créoles.” University of Freiburg, Germany, 16 June.
44. 1993g. “African-American English: What it may teach us.” Kenwood Academy (High School), Chicago, 9 November.
47. 1994c. The Founder Principle in creole genesis.” Dept. of Linguistics, Ohio State University, 16 May.
63. 1997i. “What research on creole genesis can contribute to historical linguistics.” XIIIth International Conference on Historical Linguistics, University of Düsseldorf, 10-17 August 1997.


68. 1998c. “Past and recent population movements in Africa: Their impact on its linguistic landscape.” 29th Annual Conference on African Linguistics, Yale University, March 27-29.


70. 1998e. “Creolization as language change.” University of Freiburg, Germany, June 19.

71. 1998f. “The ecology of language evolution.” University of Munich, Germany, June 23. Also presented at the University of Potsdam, Germany, July 2.

72. 1998g. “Creolization is a social, not a linguistic, process.” Conference on Degrees of restructuring in creole languages, Regensburg, Germany, June 24-27.

73. 1998h. “How explanatory is markedness?” University of Düsseldorf, Germany, June 29.


79. 1998n. “Language endangerment: What have pride and prestige got to do with it?” When languages collide, Ohio State University, 13-15 November.


94. **2000c.** “Language evolution as species evolution: The case of English in North America.” Aurora University, April 27.

95. **2000d.** “Types of colonization and language evolution.” Max Planck Institute, Leipzig, 16 May.


97. **2000f.** “The history of English from a population contact perspective.” University of Chemnitz, Germany, 23 May.

98. **2000g.** “Languages as species, literally speaking.” Max Planck Institute, Leipzig, 25 May.


105. 2001c. “Languages in contact: Products and processes, fruits and consequences, including FAQ's and IAQ's (infrequently asked questions).” California State University at Northridge. 23 February.

106. 2001d. “Rice, sugar, tobacco, and language in the New World.” University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad. 19 March.


116. 2001n. “Creoles do not have pidgin ancestors: Some geographical and historical evidence.” Department of English Language and Literature, National University of Singapore, 24 October.

117. 2001o. “Colonization, globalization, and language endangerment.” Professorial lecture, National University of Singapore, 7 November.


119. 2001q. “Colonization, globalization, and language endangerment.” Hong Kong University, 3 December.

120. 2001r. “Competition and selection in language evolution.” City University of Hong Kong, 4 December.


133. 2003e. “Why are creoles treated as separate languages?” In the lecture series The Scientific Story of Creation, Aurora University, May 1.


141. 2003m. “La mort des langues : ce que nous dit l'émergence des créoles.” Cours, Collège de France, December 2.


143. 2003o. “Language evolution: The population genetics way.” Philosophy of Science group, University of Oslo, December 5.


147. 2004c. “Language evolution: The population genetics way.” Purdue University, February 20.


155. **2004k.** “Language evolution: The population genetics way.” CNRS, Saint-Denis, France. 29 November.


159. **2005d.** “Globalization, colonization, and language vitality.” *14th Annual Linguistics Symposium,* California State University at Fullerton.


164. **2005i.** “Globalization, colonization, and language vitality: Perspectives from Africa.” Chancellor’s Distinguished Lectureship Series, Louisiana State University, September 16.


167. **2006a.** “Globalization and language endangerment: Myths and facts.” Wednesday Luncheon Series, Divinity School, University of Chicago, 1 February.


175. 2006i. “Pourquoi les langues africaines n’ont-elles pas survécu dans le Nouveau Monde et dans l’Océan Indien ?” Université de Nice, May 5.


179. 2006m. “Creole vernaculars as natural offspring of Indo-European languages.” The University of Bayreuth, Germany, July 6.


184. 2006r. “Competition, selection, generative entrenchment, and exaptation in language evolution.” The Cradle of Language conference, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, 6-10 November.


190. **2007f.** “Speakers, populations, and languages: Some evolutionary perspectives.” Public lecture, Humboldt University, Berlin, 1 October.

191. **2007g.** “The actuation question and the invisible hand in language evolution.” Public lecture, University of Zürich, Switzerland, 2 September.

192. **2007h.** “The indigenization of English in North America and Australia.” Plenary paper, Meeting of the International Association of World Englishes (IAWE), University of Regensburg, 4-6 October.


198. **2008f.** “Globalization and language endangerment: Africa vs. the Americas.” The Millercomm Lecture Series, Center for Advanced Studies, The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 9 April.

199. **2008g.** “Competition and selection in language evolution.” Linguistics Speaker Series and Language Dynamics Reading Group, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 10 April.

200. **2008h.** “Ecology and exaptation all the way in language evolution.” Conference on *New Directions in Historical Linguistics*, Université Lyon 2, May 12-14.

201. **2008i.** “From inter-idiolectal variation through linguistic diversity to language boundaries.” *Us and Them: Modeling Past Genetic, Linguistic, and Cultural Boundaries*, Université de Bordeaux 1, May 15-17.


204. **2008l.** "Ecology and exaptation all the way in language evolution." Instituto de Física Interdisciplinar y Sistemas Complejos, Campus Universidad Illes Balears, Palma de Mallorca, 17 June.


208. **2008q.** "Language and the city in a 'globalized world'.” The 3rd World Forum on China Studies, Panel 9B: Modern Chinese Urban Development and Changes in Social Life, Sept. 8-9, Shanghai.

209. **2008r.** "Global English' vs. ‘English as a global language'." Plenary paper, 47th meeting of the Japanese Association of College English Teachers (JACET), Waseda University, Tokyo, 11-13 September.


211. **2008t.** “Globalization, economic power, business sense, and language practice." Seminar conducted for the Kansai Association of Corporate Executives, Osaka, Japan, 16 September (all day).

212. **2008u.** "Globalization, uniformity, and cultural diversity." Seminar conducted for the Kansai Association of Corporate Executives, Osaka, Japan, 17 September (morning).

213. **2008v.** “‘Globalization' and ‘glocalization’." Seminar for top executives of the Kansai Association of Corporate Executives, Osaka, Japan, 17 September (afternoon).

214. **2008w.** "Humans as the ecology of language(s)." Keynote address, Workshop on *Ecology and Language Evolution,* CNRS - LACITO, Paris, 23 October.

215. **2009a.** "Humans as the ecology of language(s)." The Nexus of Biology and Linguistics, 6th Annual Martin Luther King Day Linguistics Symposium, Ohio State University, 19 January.

216. **2009b.** "Humans as the ecology of language(s)." University of Toronto, 20 February.

217. **2009c.** "Genetic creolistics and language evolution: Some contributions that creoles can make to linguistics." Tulane University, 26 February.

222. 2009h. “Les créoles français, ‘c’est ben du français’: classifications linguistiques et idéologiques identitaires.” Keynote address at the conference on Mise en scène des pratiques langagières : le cas du français, Simon Fraser University, 16-17 April.
223. 2009i. “The European colonial expansion: Linguistics winners and losers, where and why.” Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte, Brazil, 29 June.
224. 2009j. Two informal seminars (morning and afternoon) on Globalization and Language Endangerment and on The Ecology of Language, Department of Linguistics, Universidade Federal de Rio de Janeiro, 2 July.
231. 2010c. “Ecology and exaptation all the way in language evolution.” Public lecture, Tsinghua University, Beijing, 28 May.
233. 2010e. Debate with Francis Paul Heylighen (Vrije Universiteit Brusssels) and Roland Terborg (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México) on Approaches to Linguistic Ecology: Coincidences and Divergences, Universidad Barcelona, June 3.
235. 2010g. “Driving forces in English contact linguistics.” Symposium on *English as a Contact Language*, University of Zurich, June 7-9.


237. 2010i. “Genèse des créoles et génétique linguistique.” Course given at *Université internationale d’été – Créolité/Créolisation: Etats de la question*, Université de la Réunion, Saint-Denis, June 4-9.


239. 2010k. “The emergence of complexity in language: An evolutionary perspective.” Public lecture, University of Oslo. September 28. Also presented as a keynote address at the University of Basel, Switzerland, at the JASGIL (Joint Advanced Study Group in Linguistics) meeting, Oct. 22-23.


258. 2012e. “Explaining variation in speech and language communities.” Department of Social Anthropology & Linguistics, University of Cape Town, SA, 12 September.
260. 2012g. “Globalization and language.” Public lecture, University of Western Cape, SA, 17 September.
Plenary paper at La construction discursive du « locuteur francophone » en milieu minoritaire: problématique, méthode et enjeux, Université de Moncton, 3-6 October.
263. 2012j. “Languages as communication technology: An evolutionary perspective.”
Minnesota Center for Philosophy of Science, 18 October.
267. 2013b. “Language evolution, by exaptation, with the mind leading.” Fifth International Conference in Evolutionary Linguistics, Chinese University of Hong Kong, August 17-19.
268. 2013c. Participated in a “seminar” at UNESCO on linguistic and cultural diversity, on the occasion of “31 Akshara Crafting Indian Scripts” exhibit. Debate convened by India’s permanent representative to UNESCO. September 18.
269. 2013d. “Corrélation entre vitalité langagière et styles de colonisation : les cas de l’Afrique et des Amériques.” University of Alberta at Edmonton, 9 October.
272. 2013g. “The emergence of language in mankind: Some ecological perspectives.”
The University of Chicago Center in Paris, 14 November.


277. 2014f. “Primary Linguistic Data, the Feature Pool, and ‘Language Acquisition’ as a Misnomer.” Workshop on The emergence of linguistic competence in multi-language contexts, NIAS, April 10-11.


281. 2014j. “Socioeconomic structure and language vitality: Differences between black Africa and the western world.” Keynote address, Workshop on Sustaining Pluralism: Linguistic and Cultural Resilience in Multiethnic Societies, OSU, Columbus, OH, 4-6 September.

282. 2014k. Creolization as exogenous indigenization in specific sociohistorical settings. Creole Languages and Post-Colonial Diversity in Comparative Perspective, Max-Planck-Institut für ethnolingische Forschung, Halle, 9-10 October.


287. 2014p. “Globalization and the world-wide spread of English in historical perspectives.” Public lecture at the University of Chicago Center in Delhi, 18 December.

288. 2014q. “How India too made English a world language.” Keynote address, 20th meeting of the International Association of World Englishes, Amity University, New Delhi, 18-20 December.
289. **2015a.** “Are European languages likely to replace ‘indigenous languages everywhere?’” University of Pretoria, South Africa, 23 March.


292. **2015d.** “Biology and culture in the phylogenetic emergence of language,” Keynote address, SALSA (University of Texas at Austin), April 17-18.

293. **2015e.** “The feature pool, second language acquisition, and the emergence of creoles: What have we learned to date?” Lead paper at the Workshop on Creoles and Second Language Acquisition, at Multiling Center, University of Oslo, June 8.


