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## Craig Roberts

### Brief Curriculum Vitae

#### Education

1979, A.B., Indiana University

February 1987, Ph.D. in Linguistics, University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Dissertation: *Modal Subordination, Anaphora, and Distributivity*. Supervisor: Barbara H. Partee

#### Academic Positions

**Current:** Professor with tenure, Linguistics Department, The Ohio State University.

Adjunct Professor, OSU Philosophy Department (since 2007).

Associate Professor, OSU Linguistics: 1994 – 2007. Assistant Professor, OSU Linguistics: 1988 – 1994.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for the Study of Language and Information, Stanford University, 1986 – 1988.

Visiting Research Fellow, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands, Spring 1992

Visiting Research Fellow, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands, Autumn 2002.

Visiting Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Michigan, Autumn 2009.

#### Book

*Modal Subordination, Anaphora, and Distributivity*. Garland Press, Outstanding Dissertations in Linguistics Series, New York, 1991. [255 pp., revised Ph.D. thesis.]

*Context and Content: Interpreting definite noun phrases*. In progress, Oxford University press.

#### Selected Refereed Publications

“Modal Subordination and Pronominal Anaphora in Discourse”. *Linguistics and Philosophy* 12.6:683 - 721, 1989. Also CSLI Report No.88-127, May 1988. Reprinted in Javier Gutiérrez-Rexach (ed.) (2003) *Semantics: Critical concepts in linguistics*, Routledge.

*Modal Subordination, Anaphora, and Distributivity*. Garland Press, Outstanding Dissertations in Linguistics Series, New York, 1991. [255 pp., revised Ph.D. thesis.]

“Domain Selection in Dynamic Semantics”. In Emmon Bach, Eloise Jelinek, Angelika Kratzer, and Barbara H. Partee (eds.) (1995), *Quantification in Natural Languages*, Kluwer, Dordrecht, 661-700.

“Anaphora in intensional contexts”. In Shalom Lappin (ed.) (1996) *The Handbook of Contemporary Semantic Theory*, Basil Blackwell, pp.215-246.

“Focus, the Flow of Information, and Universal Grammar”. In Peter Culicover and Louise McNally (eds.) (1998), *The Limits of Syntax*, Academic Press, pp.109-160

“An integrated approach to reference and presupposition resolution”. With Robert T. Kasper and Paul C. Davis. *Proceedings of the ACL '99 Workshop on the Relationship between Discourse, Dialogue Structure and Reference*, 1999, College Park, Maryland.

“Spanish *imperfecto* and *preterito*: Truth conditions and aktionsart effects in a situation semantics”. With Alicia Cipria. *Natural Language Semantics* 8.4:297-347, 2000.

“Demonstratives as definites”. In Kees van Deemter and Roger Kibble (eds.) (2002) *Information Sharing: Reference and Presupposition in Language Generation and Interpretation*, CSLI Press, pp.89-196.

“Uniqueness in definite noun phrases”. *Linguistics and Philosophy* 26:287-350, 2003.

“Discourse context in dynamic interpretation”. In Laurence Horn and Gregory Ward (eds.) (2004) *Handbook of Contemporary Pragmatic Theory*, Blackwell, pp.197-220.

“Pronouns as definites”. In Anne Bezuidenhout and Marga Reimer (eds.) (2004) *Descriptions and Beyond*, Oxford University Press, pp.503-543.

“Review of Potts: *Conventional Implicature*”. With Patricia Matos Amaral and E. Allyn Smith. *Linguistics and Philosophy* 30:707-749, 2008.

- “*know-how*: A compositional approach”. In Erhard Hinrichs and John Nerbonne (eds.) *Theory and Evidence in Semantics*, 2009, CSLI Press, 183-213.
- “What projects and why.” (with Mandy Simons, Judith Tonhauser and David Beaver) In Nan Li & David Lutz (eds.) (2010) *Semantics and linguistic theory* (SALT) 20, 309–327. Ithaca, NY: CLC Publications.
- “*only*: A case study in projective meaning”. In Barbara H. Partee, Michael Glanzberg & Jurgis Skilters (ed.) (2011) *Formal Semantics and Pragmatics: Discourse, Context and Models*. Special issue of the *Baltic International Yearbook of Cognition, Logic and Communication*, Riga, Latvia.
- “Topics”. In press in Claudia Maienborn, Klaus von Heusinger & Paul Portner (eds.) *Semantics: An International Handbook of Natural Language Meaning*. Mouton de Gruyter.
- “Information Structure: Toward an integrated theory of formal pragmatics.” with afterword and bibliography of related work. In press in *Semantics and Pragmatics*. (Invited as a classic unpublished paper.)
- “Accommodation in a Language Game”. To appear in Barry Loewer & Jonathan Schaffer (eds.) volume on the Philosophy of David Lewis in the Companion Series, Blackwell Publishers.

## Recent Invited Talks and Colloquia, Short Courses

- Fourth Workshop on Discourse Structure, University of Texas, Austin, March, 2006: “*Only*: Presupposition and Implicature”
- Pacific Meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Portland, OR, March, 2006: “Comments on the Paper by Barbara Abbott”.
- Workshop on Ellipsis and Philosophy of Language, University of Western Ontario, May, 2006: “Retrievability and Ellipsis”.
- Workshop in Philosophy and Linguistics, Philosophy Department, University of Michigan, November, 2006, “Perspective in Interpretation”.
- Department of Linguistics Colloquium, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, March 2007: “Specificity”.
- Department of Linguistics Colloquium, Northwestern University, April, 2007: “The Resolution of Focus.”
- Workshop on Philosophy and Linguistics, Philosophy Department, University of Michigan, November, 2007: “*know-how*: A compositional approach”.
- Berkeley Linguistics Society, February, 2008: “The Resolution of Focus.” (keynote lecture)
- Invited commentator, Workshop series on modality, Philosophy Department, University of Michigan, March and April, 2008. Commented on papers by Kai von Fintel & Chris Potts and Frank Veltman.
- Workshop on Philosophy and Linguistics, Philosophy Department, University of Michigan, November, 2008, invited commentator.
- Workshop on Anaphora, Philosophy Department, University of Michigan, April, 2009: “Retrievability: Discourse constraints on anaphora and the problem of incomplete descriptions”.
- Workshop on Logical Methods for Discourse, CAuLD (Construction Automatique de représentations Logiques du Discours), Université de Nancy, France, December, 2009: “Projective Meaning” (joint paper with David Beaver, Mandy Simons and Judith Tonhauser), invited paper.
- Department of Linguistics Colloquium, Michigan State University, December, 2009: “Retrievability and Definite Noun Phrases”.
- Department of Linguistics Colloquium, University of Texas, Austin, February, 2010: “Resolving Focus”.
- Department of Linguistics Colloquium, University of Chicago, March, 2010: “Retrievability and Ellipsis”.
- Workshop on Semantics and Philosophy, University of Chicago, March, 2010: “Retrievability and Definite Noun Phrases”.
- Semantics Workshop, Rutgers University Center for Cognitive Science, June, 2010: “Retrievability and incomplete descriptions”.
- Intensive Course on Meaning and Context, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, July, 2010: Lectures on “Context, accommodation and intention in collaborative inquiry”.
- Kogwiss 2010 (German Society for Cognitive Science annual meeting), October, 2010: Invited lecture on “Resolving Focus”.

Sonderforschungsbereich (SFB 632), the Institute for Linguistics, University of Potsdam, October, 2010: “*Only* Part I: Alternatives and Focus Sensitivity”.

Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS), Berlin, October, 2010: “*Only* Part II: Projective Meaning”.

6<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of Cognition, Logic and Communication: Discourse, Context, and Models, University of Latvia, Riga: “*only*: Projective meaning and focus sensitivity” (invited talk).

New York University Department of Linguistics, invited lectures, March, 2011: “Context in dynamic interpretation”, “Accentuation and Focus”, and “*only*: Projection, Presupposition and Focus Sensitivity”.

Workshop on Philosophy and Linguistics, Philosophy Department, University of Michigan, April, 2011, invited commentator on a paper by Emil Maier.

Linguistics Department Colloquium, Harvard University, April, 2011: “Incomplete descriptions in collaborative inquiry.”

Workshop on Alternatives, Cornell University, May, 2011: “Retrievability and incomplete descriptions.”

Norwegian Academy of Sciences, Workshop on Meaning and Understanding, June, 2011: “Solving for intended interpretation”.

European Summer School on Logic, Language and Information (ESSLLI), Ljubljana, Slovenia, August 1-7, 2011, Short course on “Projective Meaning”, joint instructor with Judith Tonhauser.

Semantic Workshop of the American Midwest and Prairies (SWAMP), OSU, October 15, 2011, Invited talk: “Solving for Interpretation”.

### **Recent Refereed Conference Presentations**

Sinn und Bedeutung, 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Barcelona, Spain, September, 2006: “The Resolution of Focus”.

Workshop on Presupposition, ESSLLI '09, Bordeaux, July, 2009: “Presupposition, Conventional Implicature, and Beyond: A unified account of projection”. with Mandy Simons, David Beaver, and Judith Tonhauser.

Conference on Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) 20, Simon Frazier University/University of British Columbia, April, 2010: “What projects and why”, with David Beaver, Mandy Simons and Judith Tonhauser.

### **Grants**

Principal Investigator, Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research grant for \$2,509 to conduct fieldwork in Haiti on the prosodic structure of Haitian Creole, 1982.

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Grant #NBS-9022934, for \$59,714: “Semantic Interactions between Modality and Tense”, 1991 – 1995.

Principal Investigator (co-PI with Robert T. Kasper of OSU during 1998-00), Motorola, Inc. University Partnership in Research grant, \$46,250: “Modeling Natural Language Dialogue for a Voice-Mail System”, 1998 – 2001.

Principal Investigator (co-PI with Donna Byron, OSU CSE), National Science Foundation Grant #60006402, \$26,371, “Presupposition Accommodation Conference and Intensive Course”, 2006 – 2007.

Principal Investigator (co-PI with David Beaver (Texas/Austin), Mandy Simons (Carnegie Mellon) and Judith Tonhauser (OSU)), National Science Foundation Collaborative Grant, \$396,306 total (#0952571 for \$176,225 to OSU), “Projective Meanings”, 2010-2012.

### **Ph.D. Dissertations Supervised**

Katherine A. Welker (1994) *Plans in the Common Ground: Towards a generative account of conversational implicature*, Linguistics Department, The Ohio State University.

Jae-Hak Yoon (1996) *Temporal Adverbials and Aktionsarten in Korean*. Linguistics Department, The Ohio State University.

- Alicia Cipria (1996) *The Interpretation of Tense in Spanish Complement Clauses*, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, The Ohio State University (co-advisor with Professor Dieter Wanner).
- Svetlana Godjevac (2000) *Word Order, Intonation, and Focus Projection in Serbo-Croatian*. Linguistics Department, The Ohio State University.
- Jean Godby (2001) *English Compound Nominals: a Study of Lexicalization*. Linguistics Department, The Ohio State University.
- E. Allyn Smith (2010) *Correlational Comparatives in English*. Linguistics Department, OSU.
- Scott Martin (in progress) *The Dynamics of Projective Meaning*, Linguistics Department, The Ohio State University (co-advisor with Professor Carl Pollard).

## **Recent Service Highlights**

- Associate Editor, *Linguistics and Philosophy* as of January, 2012. Editorial Board, 1997 – 2003.
- Editorial Board, *Semantics and Pragmatics*, 2008 – present.
- Member of the Research Network “Questions in Discourse”, funded by the German Science Foundation (DFG 2012-2014), with PIs Edgar Onea (Universität Göttingen) and Malte Zimmermann (Universität Potsdam).
- Co-organizer, with Donna Byron, OSU, Short Course and Workshop on Presupposition Accommodation. The Ohio State University, October, 2007.
- Co-Chair, with Judith Tonhauser, Semantics and Linguistic Theory Conference (SALT 19) Organizing Committee, OSU, April, 2009.
- Co-organizer, with David Beaver (U.Texas/Austin), Mandy Simons (Carnegie Mellon University), Judith Tonhauser (OSU): PEPA (Workshop on Projection, Entailment, Presupposition and Assertion), OSU, April, 2009; PEPA 2, University of British Columbia, April, 2010; PEPA 3, Rutgers, May, 2011.
- Co-organizer, with Judith Tonhauser (OSU): Workshop on Projective Meanings; ESSLLI (European Summer School on Logic, Language and Linguistics) 2011, Ljubljana, Slovenia, August 7-14, 2011.