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Fort Worth, TX

CITIZENSHIP: USA

EDUCATION:
University of Texas (Austin), B.A., 1961 (Russian)
Cornell University, Ph.D., 1965 (Slavic linguistics)

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:
Instructor of Russian and Linguistics, Simon Fraser University. 1965-66.
Assistant Professor of Russian and Linguistics, Simon Fraser University.
1966-1969.
Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Linguistics, Rice University.
1969-1974.
Associate Professor of Anthropology and Linguistics, Rice University.
1974-1981.
Professor of Linguistics, Rice University. 1981-1998.
Agnes Cullen Arnold Professor of Linguistics 1998-2003.
Visiting Research Professor, Graduate Institute of English. National
Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan, R.O.C. Spring, 1989.

HONORS:
Phi Beta Kappa.
National Defense Educational Act VI Fellowship (Russian), 1961-64.
American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship, summer, 1964.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS:

Activities:

Member, Editorial Board, *Southwest Journal of Linguistics*, 1989-1993.
Co-editor and co-founder of *Glossa*, 1967-1985.
Review and Exchange Editor, *Glossa*, 1967-1969.
Reviewer for the National Science Foundation, National Endowment for the Humanities and the Canada Council.
Co-organizer of the Seventh LACUS Forum, 11-15 August, 1980, Rice University.
Organizer of the Fourth Biennial Symposium of the Department of Linguistics & Semiotics, Rice University. Language and Its Cognitive Interpretation, 16-19 April, 1991.
Organizer of the Fifth Biennial Symposium of the Department of Linguistics & Semiotics, Rice University. Descriptive and Theoretical Modes in the Alternative Linguistics, 31 March-3 April, 1993.

Memberships:

Linguistic Society of America.
Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas.
Linguistic Association of the Southwest.
Southeastern Conference on Linguistics.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

Chair, Department of Linguistics, 2000-2003.
Acting Chair, Department of Linguistics, 1993-1994, spring-summer 1998, spring-summer 2000.
Acting Chair, Department of Anthropology, Spring 1980 & Spring 1982.
Admissions Committee, Member, 1986-2003.
Co-chair, 1997-2001.
Subcommittee on Athletic Admissions 1994-2003.
Language Steering Committee, Member, spring 2000.
Chair, 2000-2001.
School of Humanities Committee on Distribution Courses, Member, 1999-present.
University Marshall, 1993-1996.
Graduate Advisor, Linguistics & Semiotics, 1984-1995, 1996-2003.
Responsible for library collection in Linguistics, 1972-2003.
Faculty sponsor, Badminton Club, 1991-1998, 2000-2001.
Education Council, Member, 1980-84.
Advisor, Behavioral Science, 1972-1989.
Organizer, Mellon Workshop on Discourse, May, 1982.
Participant, Rice University Teacher Center Seminars for In-Service Teachers, 1980-1981.

COURSES TAUGHT:

Regularly:

Syntax and semantics.
The structure of English.
Field methods and analytic techniques (Languages studied: Igbo, Thai, Gujarati, Malay, Korean, Farsi, E. Armenian, W. Armenian, Tagalog, Amharic, Khmer, Telugu, Ilokano, Ilongo/Hiligaynon, Yogad, Kapampangan, Pangasinan, Kinaray-a, Akawaio, Wolof, and Pulaar.).
Modern linguistic theory.
Language and intelligence.
Seminar on syntax and semantics (Topics: complex expressions and grammatical relations.).

Others:

Introduction to linguistics (synchronic).
Introduction to linguistics (diachronic).
Phonology.
Historical linguistics.
Special topics in linguistics (Topic: language and intelligence).
Sociolinguistics.
Old Church Slavic.
Old Russian.
History of Russian.
Russian language (first four semesters).

AREAS OF SCHOLARLY INTEREST:

Salishan family of languages, especially Bella Coola, but including Halkomelem (Katzie and Chehalis dialects) and Shuswap.

Fieldwork:

Bella Coola, 1966-1967, 1969-1970, 1972-1980.
Halkomelem (Katzie), 1967-89.
Halkomelem (Chehalis), 1969.
Shuswap (Enderby), 1981.

Muskogean family of languages, especially Alabama, Koasati (Coushatta), and Oklahoma Creek.

Fieldwork:

Alabama, 1983-1991.

Austronesian family of languages.

Fieldwork:

Atayal (Wulai), 1989.
Atayal (Miaoli), 1989.
Ilokano, 1989-1992.
Kapampangan, 1992-1993.
Pangasinan, 1993-1994.
Kinaray-a, 1996-1997
Yogad, 1992-2000.

Mandarin Chinese.

Semantics and syntax.

Language and intelligence.

Language universals, typology, and linguistic theory.

My research generally is within linguistics and specifically the areas (1) where linguistics overlaps with the practical activity of anthropology, i.e. linguistic anthropology, and also (2) where linguistics overlaps with a narrower interest in anthropology, i.e. cognitive anthropology and cognitive psychology.

- (1) Linguistic anthropology - My work here has centered on the study and description of American Indian languages, but it now includes three Austronesian languages, Atayal (Formosan), Ilokano (Philippine), and Yogad (Philippine). In 1966, I began work on Bella Coola, a Salishan language spoken in British Columbia, Canada. With Dr. R. Saunders, I have co-authored numerous papers and articles on this language; a collection of texts and a grammar is in print. Since 1983, I have also worked on another American Indian language, Alabama (Muskogean) with Professor Heather K. Hardy, and I have directed a dissertation on a related language, Oklahoma Creek. In the spring semester, 1989, during a sabbatical leave, I began study (with Dr. L. Huang) of Atayal, an Austronesian language of the Formosan branch, spoken in Taiwan, R.O.C. Since 1989, I have been working on several Philippine languages, especially, Yogad.
- (2) Language and intelligence - My work here centers on the investigation of cognitive abilities that underlie the communicative use of language. This draws upon and generalizes the interests in (1). The manuscript *Language and Intelligence* is representative of this aspect of my research. This interest has been furthered by the symposium entitled Language and Its Cognitive Interpretation, which I organized and which took place 16 April-19 April, 1991. The participants in the symposium (Michael Bamberg, James E. Copeland, Philip W. Davis, Barbara Fox, John Haiman, Paul J. Hopper, Ronald Langacker, Sandra A. Thompson, Stephen A. Tyler, and Anna Wierzbicka) were charged with re-examining their own thought about language and suggesting substantive ways in which language may be (re-)conceptualized so that it is integrated with other aspects of human intelligence. The symposium papers were published by Pergamon Press under the title *Alternative Modes in Linguistics: Reinterpreting Language*. A second, and expanded symposium entitled Descriptive and Theoretical Modes in the Alternative Linguistics was held 31 March - 3 April, 1993. All those from the 1991 symposium returned, and they were joined by Professors Jack Du Bois and Robert D. Van Valin, Jr. The results of that symposium entitled, *Alternative Linguistics: Descriptive and Theoretical Modes*, have been published by John Benjamins.

Research activity is ongoing in both these areas, each of which is open-ended.

RESEARCH SUPPORT:

Internal:

President's Research Grant, Simon Fraser University, 1966, 1967, and 1968.

Summer Research Grant, Rice University, 1969, 1970, 1972, and 1973.

External:

National Museum of Canada (Department of Man). Collection of oral literature of the Bella Coola. August - September, 1966. \$550.

National Science Foundation, Grant SOC73-05713 AO1. "A Linguistic Study of Bella Coola". May, 1974 - 31 October, 1976. \$34,000.

National Science Foundation, Grant BNS73-05713 AO2. "Verbal Particles and Textual Analysis in a British Columbean Language: Bella Coola". 15 February, 1976 - 31 July, 1977. \$11,000.

National Science Foundation. Grant BNS77-08165. "Textual Documentation of a North American Indian Language: Bella Coola". 15 June, 1977 - 30 November, 1978. \$5,300.

British Columbia Provincial Museum. Linguistic fieldwork on Bella Coola. July - August, 1978. \$550.

British Columbia Provincial Museum. Linguistic fieldwork on Bella Coola. July - August, 1979. \$500.

Whatcom Museum, Melville and Elizabeth Jacobs Fund Grant. Linguistic fieldwork on Bella Coola. July - August, 1979. \$1,000.

British Columbia Provincial Museum. Linguistic fieldwork on Bella Coola. May - June, 1980. \$550.

Whatcom Museum, Melville and Elizabeth Jacobs Fund Grant. Linguistic fieldwork on Shuswap (Enderby). July - August, 1981. \$750.

British Columbia Provincial Museum. A Grammar of Bella Coola (with R. Saunders). 1980 - 1984. \$4,000.

National Science Foundation, Grant BNS86-16200. “The Semantics of Creek Morphosyntax”. 1 March, 1987 - 1 March, 1988. \$5,000.

National Science Council, Republic of China. Visiting Research Professor, National Taiwan Normal University. 1 February, 1989 - 1 August, 1989.

National Science Foundation, Grant BCS-9900925. “The Basic Morpho-syntax of Yaitepec Chatino”. 1 June, 1999 - 29 February, 2000. \$4,881.

DISSERTATIONS DIRECTED:

Baek, Mihyun. 1997. *The Korean I-affix: A functional approach*. Degree awarded: 10 May, 1997. Dissertation published 1998.

Baker, John W. 1994. *Determinacy and Participant Formation: De Marmore Angeli*. Degree awarded: 7 May, 1994.
Recipient of the John W. Gardner Award in Humanities and Social Sciences for the best and most original dissertation for the academic year 1993-1994.

Cameron, Carrie. 1990. *The Semantics and Pragmatics of Voice Systems: A Functional Analysis*. Degree awarded: 5 May, 1990.

†Felix, Rolando. 2006. *A Grammar of River Wariho*. Degree awarded: 13 May, 2006.

Filchenko, Andrey Y. 2006. *A Grammar of Eastern Khanty*. Degree awarded: 13 May, 2006.

Fleck, David W. 2003. *A Grammar of Matses*. Degree awarded: 10 May, 2003.

Hardy, Donald E. 1988. *The Semantics of Creek Morphosyntax*. Degree awarded: 7 May, 1988. Supported by NSF Grant BNS86-16200.

Huang, Lillian M. 1987. *Aspect: A General System and Its Manifestation in Mandarin Chinese*. Degree awarded: 9 May, 1987.
Dissertation published 1988.

Lee, Jeong-hwa. 1999. *A Cognitive Semantic Analysis of Manipulative Motion Verbs in Korean with Reference to English*. Degree awarded: 15 May, 1999. Dissertation published 1999.

Rasch, Jeffrey. 2002. *The Basic Morpho-syntax of Yaitepec Chatino*. Supported by NSF Grant BCS99-00925.

- Sexton, Amy Leuchtman. 2001. *Creating Characters and Reconstructing Texts: Evaluation in children's oral narrative retellings*. Degree awarded: 12 May, 2001.
- †Spitz, Walter L. 1997. *Lost Causes: An examination of morphological causatives in two Philippine languages*. Degree awarded: 10 May, 1997.
- Spruiell, William C. 1990. *Perspectives on Nominalization*. Degree awarded: 5 May, 1990.
- Welch, Germaine Bouchard. 1990. *Metaphor in the Construction of a Small Group Culture*. Degree awarded: 5 May, 1990.

MASTER'S THESES DIRECTED:

- Li, Ellen Chang-hsien. 1989. "Denominal Verbs in Mandarin Chinese: A Perspective from Transitivity". Degree awarded (National Taiwan Normal University): June, 1989.
- Lu, Wendy Li-jung. M.A. 1991. "Semantics of Taiwanese *ū*". Degree awarded: 4 May, 1991.

BOOKS PUBLISHED:

1973. *Modern Theories of Language*. Englewood Cliffs: Prentice-Hall, Inc.
1980. *Bella Coola Texts*. Victoria, British Columbia: British Columbia Provincial Museum. (with R. Saunders)
1980. *Papers in Cognitive-Stratificational Linguistics* (= *Rice University Studies*, Vol 66, No. 2). Houston: Rice University. (edited with J. Copeland)
1981. *The Seventh LACUS Forum 1980*. Columbia, S.C.: Hornbeam Press. (edited with J. Copeland)
1993. *Alternative Modes in Linguistics: Reinterpreting Language* (= *Language Sciences 15.4 and 16.1*). Oxford: Pergamon. (edited)
1995. *Alternative Linguistics: Descriptive and Theoretical Modes*. Philadelphia & Amsterdam: John Benjamins. (edited)
1997. *A Grammar of Bella Coola*. Missoula, Mont.: University of Montana Publications in Linguistics. (with R. Saunders)
1998. *The Grammar of Yogad: A Functional Explanation*. München: Lincom Europa. (with J. Baker, W. Spitz & M. Baek)

- 2000 *A Dictionary of Yogad*. München: Lincom Europa. München: Lincom Europa. (with Angel D. Mesa).

COMPLETED BOOK MANUSCRIPTS:

Essay on Language

Pp. 407. Used as a text in Ling 402 Syntax & Semantics. To be augmented and retitled *Syntax & Semantics*.

Prolegomena to a Grammar of English

Pp. 375. Used as a text in Ling 394 Structure of English. To be augmented and retitled *A Cognitive Grammar of English*.

Language and Intelligence.

Pp. 440. Used as a text in Ling 412 Language & Intelligence.

Dictionary of Bella Coola. (with R. Saunders).

8.9MB. To be published by University of British Columbia Press.

ARTICLES & CHAPTERS PUBLISHED:

1966. "A Note on Language Split". *Canadian Journal of Linguistics* 11.120-26.
1970. "A Classification of the Dissimilative Jakan'e Dialects of Russian". *Orbis* 19.360-76.
1973. "Lexical Suffix Copying in Bella Coola". *Glossa* 7.231-52. (with R. Saunders)
1974. "Bella Coola Headbone Nomenclature". *Journal of Anthropological Research* 30.174-90. (with R. Saunders)
1974. "Some Problems in Amerindian Second Language Pedagogy". *Etudes de linguistique appliquée* 15.35-42. (with R. Saunders)
1975. "Bella Coola Deictic Usage". *Rice University Studies* 61.2.13-35. (with R. Saunders)
1975. "Bella Coola Lexical Suffixes". *Anthropological Linguistics* 117.154-89. (with R. Saunders)
1975. "Bella Coola Nominal Deixis". *Language* 51.845-58. (with R. Saunders)
1975. "Bella Coola Referential Suffixes". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 41.355-68. (with R. Saunders)

1975. "The Internal Syntax of Lexical Suffixes in Bella Coola". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 41.106-13. (with R. Saunders)
1976. "Bella Coola Deictic Roots". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 42.319-30. (with R. Saunders)
1976. "The Syntax of CAUSE and EFFECT". *Glossa* 10.155-74. (with R. Saunders)
1976. "Bella Coola *su*". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 43.211-17. (with R. Saunders)
1978. "Anatomical Knowledge Among the Bella Coola. Part I: A Glossary of Anatomical Terms". *The Western Canadian Journal of Anthropology* 8.136-79.(with R. Saunders)
1978. "Bella Coola Conjunctive Particle Usage". *Linguistics* 207.27-52. (with R. Saunders)
1978. "Bella Coola Syntax". In *Linguistic Studies of Native Canada*, ed. by Eung-Do Cook and Jonathan Kaye, 37-65. Vancouver, British Columbia: University of British Columbia Press. (with R. Saunders)
1979. "The Expression of the Cooperative Principle in Bella Coola". In *The Victoria Conference on Northwestern Languages*, ed. by Barbara S. Efrat, 33-61. Victoria, British Columbia: British Columbia Provincial Museum. (with R. Saunders)
1980. "Knowledge, Consciousness and Language: Some Possible Sources for Discourse Phenomena". In *Papers in Cognitive-Stratificational Linguistics*, ed. by James E. Copeland and Philip W. Davis, 101-23. Houston: Rice University. (with J. Copeland)
1980. "A Stratificational Approach to Discourse and Other Matters". In *The Sixth LACUS Forum 1979*, ed. by W. McCormack and H. Izzo, 255-63. Columbia, S.C.: Hornbeam Press. (with J. Copeland)
1981. "Identifiability and Focal Attention in an Integrated View of Discourse". In *The Seventh LACUS Forum 1980*, ed. by James E. Copeland and Philip W. Davis, 122-37. Columbia, S.C.: Hornbeam Press. (with J. Copeland)
1982. "The Control System of Bella Coola". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 48.1-15. (with R. Saunders)
1983. "Discourse Portmanteaus and the German Satzfeld". In *Festschrift for Charles F. Hockett*, ed. by F. Van Coetsem and G. Kelly.

Leiden: E. J. Brill. (with J. Copeland)

1984. "An Expression of Coreference in Bella Coola". In *Syntax and Semantics 16: The Syntax of Native American Languages*, ed. by Eung-Do Cook and Donna B. Gerdts, 149-67. New York: Academic Press. (with R. Saunders)
1984. Propositional Organization: the *s-* and *si-* Prefixes in Bella Coola". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 50.200-31. (with R. Saunders)
1984. Review of Pike, Kenneth L., *Linguistic Concepts: An Introduction to Tagmemics*. *American Anthropologist* 86.753-54.
1985. "The Expression of Mood in Bella Coola". In *For Gordon H. Fairbanks (= Oceanic Linguistics Special Publication No. 20.)*, ed. by Veneeta Z. Acson and Richard L. Leed, 243-56. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press. (with R. Saunders)
1986. "CONTROL and DEVELOPMENT in Bella Coola". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 52.212-26. (with R. Saunders)
1987. "Nominal-Sentential Morphology in Alabama". *Southwest Journal of Linguistics* 7. (1984).87-101. (with H. Hardy)
1988. "Absence of Noun Marking in Alabama". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 54.279-308. (with H. Hardy)
1988. "Comparatives in Alabama". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 54.209-31. (with H. Hardy)
1989. "An Aspectual System in Mandarin Chinese". *Journal of Chinese Linguistics* 17.1-38. (with L. Huang)
1989. "Contra Usage". (Part I) *English Language Teaching and Learning (Ying Yu Jiao Xue)* 14.1.5-21.
1989. "Contra Usage". (Part II) *English Language Teaching and Learning (Ying Yu Jiao Xue)* 14.2.8-13.
1989. "The English Articles". In *A Collection of Papers Presented in the Sixth Conference on English Teaching and Learning in the Republic of China*, ed. by Shui-mu Chang, David S. D. Tseng, and Bih-chu Hwang, 117-46. Taipei: The Crane Publishing Co., Ltd.
1989. "Language and Intelligence: The Semantic Unity of *-m-* in Bella Coola". *Lingua* 78.113-58. (with R. Saunders)
1989. "Topic as 'Achievement'". *Studies in English Linguistics and Literature* 15.69-81.

1989. "Lexical Morphemes in Bella Coola". In *General and Amerindian Ethnolinguistics: In Remembrance of Stanley Newman*, ed. by Mary Ritchie Key and Henry H. Hoenigswald, 289-301. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter. (with R. Saunders)
1990. "Language and Intelligence: The Coherence of Linguistic Semantics". *Studies in English Linguistics and Literature* 16.139-48.
1991. "Remarks on the Semantics of Word Order in Mandarin and English". *Journal of the Chinese Language Teachers' Association* 26.3.25-74. (with L. Huang)
1992. "The Semantics of Negation in Bella Coola". In *For Henry Kučera: Studies in Slavic Philology and Computational Linguistics*, ed. by Andrew W. Mackie, Tatyana K. McAuley, and Cynthia Simmons, 101-24. Ann Arbor: Michigan Slavic Publications. (with R. Saunders)
1993. "Alabama Verbal Agreement". *International Journal of American Linguistics* 60.453-72. (with H. Hardy)
1993. "Natural Aspect in Bella Coola". In *American Indian Linguistics and Ethnography: In Honor of Laurence C. Thompson (= University of Montana, Occasional Papers in Linguistics 10)*, ed. by Anthony Mattina and Timothy Montler, 265-77. Missoula, MT: UMOPL. (with R. Saunders)
1993. "Reinterpreting Language: Introduction". In *Alternative Modes in Linguistics: Reinterpreting Language*, ed. by Philip W. Davis, 269-91. Oxford: Pergamon.
1994. "The Universality of ROLE Systems". In *Alternative Modes in Linguistics: Reinterpreting Language*, ed. by Philip W. Davis, 161-211. Oxford: Pergamon.
1995. "The Way of Language: Dimensions of VOICE". In *Alternative Linguistics: Descriptive and Theoretical Modes*, ed. by Philip W. Davis, 45-76. Philadelphia & Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
1997. "The Place of Bella Coola in a Typology of the Relative Clause". In *Salish Languages and Linguistics: Current Theoretical and Descriptive Perspectives*, edited by Ewa Czaykowska-Higgins and M. Dale Kinkade. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter. (with R. Saunders)
2000. "The *ist-* Prefix in Alabama". *Functional Approaches to Language, Culture and Cognition*, ed. by David Lockwood, Peter Fries, and James E. Copeland. Philadelphia: John Benjamins. (with H. Hardy)

PAPERS PRESENTED:

1970. "Saussure's Theory of Language". Dept. of Modern Languages, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia.
1972. "Object and Instrument Copying in Bella Coola Lexical Suffixes". Seventh International Conference on Salishan Languages, Bellingham, Washington. (with R. Saunders)
1973. "Bella Coola Syntax". Eighth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Eugene, Oregon. (with R. Saunders)
1974. "Bella Coola Nominal Deixis". Ninth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Vancouver, British Columbia. (with R. Saunders)
1974. "Bella Coola *s-*". XIII Conference on American Indian Languages, Mexico City. (with R. Saunders)
1975. "Bella Coola Deictic Roots". Tenth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Ellensburg, Washington. (with R. Saunders)
1976. "The Syntax of CAUSE and EFFECT in Bella Coola". Eleventh International Conference on Salishan Languages, Seattle, Washington. (with R. Saunders)
1976. "Pronominal Coreference in Bella Coola". XV Conference on American Indian Languages, Washington, D.C. (with R. Saunders)
1977. "A Bella Coola Text: Sniniq̓". Twelfth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Omak, Washington. (with R. Saunders)
1978. "Bella Coola Syntax: Negation and Particles". Thirteenth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Victoria, British Columbia. (with R. Saunders)
1979. "How to Get Things Done in Bella Coola: The Expression of Mood". Fourteenth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Bellingham, Washington. (with R. Saunders)
1979. "CONTROL and DEVELOPMENT in Bella Coola". XVIII Conference on American Indian Languages, Cincinnati, Ohio. (with R. Saunders)
1980. "CONTROL and DEVELOPMENT in Bella Coola II". Fifteenth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Vancouver, British Columbia. (with R. Saunders)
1980. "Identifiability and Focal Attention in an Integrated View of Discourse". The Seventh LACUS Forum, Houston, Texas. (with J.

Copeland)

1981. "The *s-* and *si-* Prefixes in Bella Coola". Sixteenth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Missoula, Montana. (with R. Saunders)
1981. "Complex Expressions in Bella Coola". XX Conference on American Indian Languages, Los Angeles, California. (with R. Saunders)
1984. "Nominal-sentential Morphology in Alabama". Annual meeting of the Linguistic Association of the Southwest, El Paso, Texas. (with H. Hardy)
1984. "The Semantic Unity of *-m-* in Bella Coola". XXIII Conference on American Indian Languages, Denver, Colorado. (with R. Saunders)
1985. "Unmarked Nouns in Alabama". XXIV Conference on American Indian Languages, Washington, D.C. (with H. Hardy)
1986. "Remarks on Aspect and Mandarin *le*". Southeast Conference on Linguistics, Auburn, Alabama. (with L. Huang)
1986. "Alabama Relative Clauses". XXV Conference on American Indian Languages, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (with H. Hardy)
1987. "The *ist-* Prefix in Alabama". Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Association of the Southwest, Dallas, Texas. (with H. Hardy)
1987. "The Place of Bella Coola in a Typology of Relative Clauses". XXVI Conference on American Indian Languages, Chicago, Illinois, November, 1987. (with R. Saunders)
1988. "An Aspectual System in Mandarin". Southeast Conference on Linguistics, Memphis, Tennessee, 25 March, 1988. (with L. Huang)
1988. "Remarks on the Semantics of Word Order in Mandarin Chinese". The 21st International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Lund, Sweden, 9 October, 1988. (with L. Huang)
1989. "Waiter! There's a Fly in My Soup!". The English Society, National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan, R.O.C., 3 April, 1989.
1989. "Language and Intelligence: The Semantics of Word Order in Mandarin and English". The Graduate Institute of Linguistics, Tsinghua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan, R.O.C., 23 May, 1989.

1989. "English Aspect". The Graduate Institute of English, National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan, R.O.C., 20 July, 1989.
1989. "Negation in Mandarin and Atayal: A Comparison". The 22nd International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics, Honolulu, Hawaii, 8 October, 1989. (with L. Huang)
1991. "The Universality of ROLE Systems". Fourth Biennial Symposium of the Department of Linguistics and Semiotics: Language and Its Cognitive Interpretation, Rice University, Houston, Texas, 17 April, 1991.
1991. "The Semantics of Instrumentality in Ilokano". Sixth International Conference on Austronesian Linguistics, 20 May, 1991, Honolulu, Hawaii.
1993. "The Way of Language: Dimensions of VOICE". Fifth Biennial Symposium of the Department of Linguistics: Descriptive and Theoretical Modes in the Alternative Linguistics, Rice University, Houston, Texas, 31 March, 1993.
1995. "Dimensions of VOICE". Plenary paper presented to the International Conference on Functional Approaches to Language, 24 July, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
1997. "Transitivity in a Philippine Language". The Twenty-fifth LACUS Forum, August, 1997, Toronto, Ontario.
2005. "TOPIC in a Bella Coola Text". PDF file <www.ruf.rice.edu/~pwd/index.html>. (with R. Saunders)

Co-author of papers presented:

1972. "Verbal Categories in Bella Coola: Reduplication". XI Conference on American Indian Languages, Toronto, Ontario. (with R. Saunders)
1973. "Bella Coola Lexical Suffixes". Eight International Conference on Salishan Languages, Eugene, Oregon. (with R. Saunders)
1973. "The Internal Syntax of Lexical Suffixes in Bella Coola". XII Conference on American Indian Languages, New Orleans, Louisiana. (with R. Saunders)
1973. "The Internal Syntax of Lexical Suffixes in Bella Coola". Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, San Diego, California. (with R. Saunders)
1974. "Referential Suffixes in Bella Coola". Ninth International

- Conference on Salishan Languages, Vancouver, British Columbia. (with R. Saunders)
1975. “Bella Coola *su*”. Tenth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Ellensburg, Washington. (with R. Saunders)
1975. “The Semantics of Bella Conjunctive Particles”. XIV Conference on American Indian Languages, San Francisco, California. (with R. Saunders)
1976. “Bella Coola Conjunctive Particle Usage”. Fifteenth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Seattle, Washington. (with R. Saunders)
1976. “The Expression of the Cooperative Principle in Bella Coola”. The Victoria Conference on Northwestern Languages, Victoria, British Columbia. (with R. Saunders)
1977. “Bella Coola Contrastive Conjunctive Particles”. XVI Conference on American Indian Languages, Houston, Texas. (with R. Saunders)
1978. “The Control System of Bella Coola”. Thirteenth International Conference on Salishan Languages, Victoria, British Columbia. (with R. Saunders)
1978. “On Using Skeletal Nomenclature to Ascertain the Source of an Anatomical System”. XVII Conference on American Indian Languages, Los Angeles, California. (with R. Saunders)
1979. “A Stratificational Approach to Discourse and Other Matters”. The Sixth LACUS Forum, Calgary, Alberta. (with J. Copeland)
1980. “Control and Stem Derivation in Bella Coola”. XIX Conference on American Indian Languages, Washington, D.C. (with R. Saunders)
1982. “The Expression of Expectation in Bella Coola”. XXI Conference on American Indian Languages, Washington, D.C. (with R. Saunders)
1984. “Comparatives in Alabama”. XXIII Conference on American Indian Languages, Denver, Colorado. (with H. Hardy)
1987. “Alabama Verbal Agreement”. Presented to the Fortieth Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. Lexington, Kentucky, April, 1987. (with H. Hardy)

WORK IN PROGRESS:

Syntax & Semantics.