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**EDUCATION**

B.S.	Anthropology & Comparative Literature	Columbia University	1967
M.A.	Developmental Psychology	Columbia University	1977
Ph.D.	Anthropology	Columbia University	1979
Post-Doc Fellow	Developmental Psychology	University of California Berkeley, CA	1979-1980

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Visiting Assistant Professor	Linguistics, Stanford University	1980
Assistant Professor	Education, Culture & Society, University of Pennsylvania	1980-1986
Visiting Faculty	Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute	1985
Faculty	Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute	1986
Assistant Professor	Anthropology, New York University	1986-1989
Associate Professor	Anthropology, New York University	1989-1995
Visiting Professor	Center for Research on Bilingualism, Stockholm University	1993
Professor	Anthropology, New York University	1995-
Visiting Professor	Institute for Social & Cultural Anthropology, Univ. of Vienna	2000, 2007
Visiting Professor	Anthropology/Linguistics, L'Ecole des Hautes Etudes, Paris.	2008

**Field Research:**

Bolivia (1966); Papua New Guinea (1967-69; 1975-77; 1984-85; 1990; 1994-95; 1998); New York, NY (1988-1990)

**Grants and awards: (selected)**

National Science Foundation, research in Papua New Guinea	1975-1977, 1984-86
Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research	1975-1977, 1984-86, 1990
National Institute of Health Research Service Award, UC Berkeley	1979-1980
Visiting Scholar, Research School of Pacific Studies, Australian National University	1981
Spencer Foundation small grant, language socialization in Haitian families, New York	1988-90
National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Fellowship	1994
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for University Teachers	1998-99
American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship	1998-99
John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship	1998-99
Humanities Initiative Faculty Research Fellowship, NYU	2007-2008
Collegiate Professorship	2007-
Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, Workshop Grant	2007
National Science Foundation Workshop Grant	2008

**Selected Publications:****ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS**

1976	Topic as a discourse notion: A study of topic in the conversations of children and adults. In Subject and Topic, ed. C. Li. NY: Academic Press, pp. 335-384. (with E. Ochs)
1978	Questions of immediate concern. In Questions and Politeness: Strategies in Social Interaction, ed. E. Goody. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp.44-55. (with E. Ochs & M. Platt)

- 1979 Propositions across utterances and speakers. In *Developmental Pragmatics*, ed. E. Ochs & B. B. Schieffelin. NY: Academic Press, pp. 251-268. (with E. Ochs & M. Platt)
- 1981a A sociolinguistic analysis of a relationship. *Discourse Processes* 4, 2:189-196.
- b Hard words: A functional basis for Kaluli discourse. In *Analyzing Discourse: Talk and Text*, ed. D. Tannen. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press, ed. pp. 350-370. (with S. Feld)  
[Reprinted in *The Matrix of Language*, ed. D. Brenneis and R. MacCauley. Boulder, CO: Westview 1996].
- 1983 Who are the Sino-Vietnamese? Culture, ethnicity and social categories. Institute for the Study of Human Issues. Philadelphia, PA (with H. Peters, L. Sexton & D. Feingold).
- 1984a Learning to read culturally. In *Awakening to Literacy*, ed. H. Goelman, A. Oberg & F. Smith. Exeter, NH.: Heinemann Publishers, pp. 3-23. (with M. Cochran-Smith)
- b Cultural variation in children's conversations. In *The Acquisition of Communicative Competence*, ed. R. Schieffelin. Baltimore: University Park Press, pp. 378-420. (with A. Eisenberg)
- c Language acquisition and socialization: Three developmental stories and their implications. In *Culture Theory: Essays on Mind, Self and Emotion*, ed. R. Shweder and R. Levine. NY: Cambridge University Press (with E. Ochs), pp. 276-320. (with E. Ochs)
- 1985 The importance of cultural perspectives on infant care and feeding. In *Infant Care and Feeding in Oceania*. L. Marshall ed. pp. 1-12. NY: Gordon & Breach.
- 1986a The acquisition of Kaluli. In *The Cross-Linguistic Study of Language Acquisition*, ed. D. Slobin. Hillsdale, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Assoc, pp. 525-593.
- b Teasing and shaming in Kaluli children's interactions. In *Language Socialization across Cultures*, ed. B. B. Schieffelin & E. Ochs. NY: Cambridge University Press, pp. 165-181.
- c Language socialization. *Annual Review of Anthropology*. 15: 163-191. Palo Alto, CA: Annual Reviews Inc. (with E. Ochs).
- 1987a Do different worlds mean different words?: An example from Papua New Guinea. In *Language, Gender and Sex in Comparative Perspective*, ed. S. Philips, S. Steele, & C. Tanz. NY: Cambridge University Press, pp. 249-260.
- b Literacy in a multi-ethnic and multilingual context. In *The Future of Literacy in a Changing World*, ed. D. Wagner. Oxford: Pergamon Press, pp. 153-158.
- 1989 Language has a heart. *Text*. 9,1:7-25. (with E. Ochs).
- 1991 Sociolinguistic dimensions of Kaluli relationship terms. In *Man and a Half: Essays in Pacific Anthropology and Ethnobiology in Honour of Ralph Bulmer*, ed. A. Pawley. Auckland: The Polynesian Society, pp. 451- 454.
- 1993 Codeswitching and language socialization: Some probable relationships. In *Pragmatics: From Theory to Practice*, ed. J. Duchan et al. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice Hall, pp. 20-42.
- 1994a The "real" Haitian Creole: Ideology, metalinguistics and orthographic choice. *American Ethnologist* 21,1:176 - 200. (with R. Doucet).
- b Language ideology. *Annual Review of Anthropology*. 23:55-82. Palo Alto, CA: Annual Reviews Inc. (with K. Woolard).
- 1995a The impact of language socialization on grammatical development. In *Handbook of Child Language*, ed. P. Fletcher & B. MacWhinney. Oxford: Blackwell, eds. pp. 73-94. (with E. Ochs)
- b Creating evidence: Making sense of written words in Bosavi. *Pragmatics* 5, 2: 225-244. [Reprinted: *Interaction and Grammar*. E. Ochs, E. Schegloff and S. Thompson et al. eds. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 1996]
- 1996a The microgenesis of competence: Methodology in language socialization. In *Social Interaction, Social Context and Language: Essays in Honor of Sue Ervin-Tripp*, ed. D. Slobin et al. Hillsdale, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Assoc, pp. 251-286. (with E.Ochs).
- 2000 Introducing Kaluli literacy: A chronology of influences. In *Regimes of Language*, ed. P. Kroskrity. Santa Fe, NM: School of American Research, pp. 293-327.

- 2002 Marking time: The dichotomizing discourse of multiple temporalities. *Current Anthropology*. 43: 5-17.
- 2003 Language socialization. In *A Companion to Linguistic Anthropology*, ed. A. Duranti. Malden, MA: Blackwell, pp. 349-368, (with Don Kulick)
- 2006 The impact of language socialization on grammatical development. In *Language, Culture and Society*, ed. C. Jourdan and K. Tuite. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 168-189 (revised and updated from 1995)
- 2007 Langage et lieu dans l'univers de l'enfance. *Anthropologie et Sociétés*, 31, 1:15-37.
- Language socialization: An historical overview. In *Encyclopedia of Language and Education*, vol. 8: Language Socialization, ed. P. Duff and N. Hornberger. NY: Springer, pp. 1-13. (with E. Ochs).
- Found in translating: Reflexive language across time and texts. In *Consequences of Contact: Language Ideologies and Sociocultural Transformations in Pacific Societies*. Oxford University Press, pp. 140-165. (M. Makihara, co-editor).
- Cultural Processes and Linguistic Mediations: Pacific Explorations. In *Consequences of Contact: Language Ideologies and Sociocultural Transformations in Pacific Societies*. Oxford University Press, pp. 3-29. (with M. Makihara).
- 2008 Speaking only your own mind: Reflections on confession, gossip, and intentionality in Bosavi (PNG). *Anthropological Quarterly* 81,2:431-441.
- Tok bokis, tok piksa: Translating parables in Papua New Guinea. In *Social Lives in Language: Sociolinguistics and Multilingual Speech Communities*, ed. M. Meyerhoff & N. Nagy. Amsterdam: John Benjamins, pp. 111-134.
- 2009 Enquoting voices, accomplishing talk: Uses of *be + like* in Instant Messaging. *Language & Communication* 29,1:77-113. (with G. Jones).
- Talking text and talk back: "My bff Jill?" from boob tube to YouTube. *Journal of Computer Mediated Communication*, (with G. Jones).
- Translation, In *Handbuch der Globalisierung*, ed, F. Kreff, E-M. Knoll, A. Gingrich. Frankfurt am Main: Suhrkamp.
- Netzsprache, In *Handbuch der Globalisierung*, ed, F. Kreff, E-M. Knoll, A. Gingrich. Frankfurt am Main: Suhrkamp, (with Graham Jones).
- Sprachsozialisation, In *Handbuch der Globalisierung*, ed, F. Kreff, E-M. Knoll, A. Gingrich. Frankfurt am Main: Suhrkamp, (with E. Ochs).

## BOOKS

- 1983 *Acquiring Conversational Competence* London: Routledge & Kegan Paul (with E. Ochs).
- 1990 *The Give and Take of Everyday Life: Language Socialization of Kaluli Children*. NY: Cambridge University Press.
- 1998 *Bosavi-English-Tok-Pisin Dictionary*. Canberra, ANU: Pacific Linguistics C-153 (with Steven Feld).
- In prep *New Words, New Worlds: Language and Social Change in Bosavi, PNG*. University of California Press.

## EDITED VOLUMES

- 1979 *Developmental Pragmatics*. NY: Academic Press (E. Ochs co-editor).
- 1986a *The Acquisition of Literacy: Ethnographic Perspectives*. Norwood, NJ: Ablex (P. Gilmore co-editor).
- b *Language Socialization across Cultures*. NY: Cambridge University Press. (E. Ochs co-editor).
- 1992 *Pragmatics* 2, 3:235–451. Special Issue on Language Ideologies, (P. Kroskrity & K. Woolard, co–editors)

- 1993-2001 Annual Review of Anthropology. Vol. 22-30. Palo Alto, CA: Annual Reviews Inc. (W. Durham & E.V. Daniel co-editors).
- 1998 Language Ideologies: Practice and Theory. NY: Oxford Univ. Press. (K. Woolard & P. Kroskrity co-editors).
- 2007 Consequences of Contact: Language Ideologies and Sociocultural Transformations in Pacific Societies. NY: Oxford University Press. (M. Makihara, co editor).
- In prep Handbook on Language Socialization. Malden, MA: Blackwell. (E. Ochs and A. Duranti, co-editors).
- Anthropological Linguistics: Critical Concepts. London: Routledge (Paul Garrett. co-editor)

## BOOK REVIEWS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 1993a Review of Disentangling: Conflict Discourse in Pacific Societies. K. Watson-Gegeo & G. White, eds 1990. American Ethnologist 20,2:397-98.
- b Anthropology Newsletter 35:4. American Anthropological Association, May 1993. Invited essay: "The current state and fate of linguistic anthropology."
- 1994 Review of He-Said-She-Said: Talk as Social Organization among Black Children. Marjorie Goodwin, 1990. American Ethnologist 21,3:663-64
- 1996 Review of Pushing Boundaries: Language and Culture in a Mexicano Community. O. Vasquez, O., L. Pease-Alvarez & S. Shannon, 1994. Language in Society 25,2:325-328.
- 1998 Review of Cultural Dynamics of Religious change in Oceania. Ton Otto & A. Borsboom, eds 1997. Ethnos 63,3:461-62.
- 2001 Review of Communication: An Arena of Development. N. Budwig, I. Uzgiris, & J. Wertsch (eds) 1999. Contemporary Psychology: APA Review of Books 46, 6:582-584.
- 2002 Review of The Sociolinguistics of Sign Languages. Ceil Lucas, ed. 2001. Applied Psycholinguistics 23,4:670-673.
- 2007 Comment: J. Robbins, Continuity thinking and the problem of Christian Culture. Current Anthropology 48, 1:27-28.

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Fellow: American Anthropological Association
- Member: Society for Linguistic Anthropology (SLA)
- Association of Social Anthropologists in Oceania
- Selection Committee, Spencer Dissertation Fellowships 1988-1992
- ad hoc Committee on the Acquisition of Culture, SSRC 1988
- Selection Committee, Staley Prize, School of American Research 1988
- Constructing languages and publics. Center for Transcultural Studies/  
Center for Psycho-Social Studies, Chicago 1991-1994
- Co-Editor: Pragmatics 1986-1991
- Associate Editor: Annual Review of Anthropology 1992-2001
- Associate Editor: Ethnos 1998-
- Editorial Board: Annual Review of Anthropology 1989-1993
- Editorial Board: American Anthropologist, Discourse Studies, 1998-
- Journal of Linguistic Anthropology 1997-
- Discourse Processes, Text 1984-
- Series Editor: Social and Cultural Foundations of Language and Topic Books in Social  
and Cultural Foundations of Language, Cambridge University Press. 1998
- Contributing Editor - SLA: Anthropology Newsletter, AAA 1989-93
- Reviewer: Language in Society, American Anthropologist
- American Ethnologist, Cultural Anthropology, Oxford Univ. Press
- Consultant: Cherokee Nation project on language acquisition. NIE grant, Tahlequah, OK 1980
- New York Public Library project on literacy 1983-1985
- National Institute of Health 1988
- Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital Haitian Health Project 1991-1992
- Department of Anthropology, Stockholm University, Sweden 1990

Department of Linguistics, Stockholm University, Sweden	1992
Department of Child Studies, Linköping University, Sweden	1992
Department of Communication, Linköping University, Sweden	1993
Department of Linguistics, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad	1994
National Science Foundation, Linguistics Panel, Human Capital Initiative	1995
Consultant, American Museum of Natural History, Exhibit on CHILDHOODS	1999
Board Member, Pulse of the Planet	1998-
External Reviewer, Department of Anthropology, Hamilton College	1998
External Reviewer, Department of Anthropology, City College of New York	1999
Member, Advisory Council, Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research	1999-2003
External Reviewer, Department of Anthropology, University of Michigan	2000
Member, AAA Executive Program Committee	2001
Society for Linguistic Anthropology, Executive Committee	2002-2006
Member, Scientific Advisory Board, Liberty Science Center	2002-2007
Panel Member, Ford Foundation Minority Fellowships	2003-2006
Member, Russell Sage Foundation Study Group on Childhood and Identity	2003-2005
Panel Member, Program in Cultural Anthropology, National Science Foundation	2006-

### **INVITED PRESENTATIONS (Selected)**

Plenary address, International Pragmatics Association. Antwerp	1987
Department of Anthropology, Stockholm University	1990
Department of Child Studies, Linköping University, Sweden	
Department of Psychology, Clark University, Worcester, MA	
Department of Communications, McGill University, Montreal	1991
Department of Linguistics, Stockholm University	
Department of Linguistics, Copenhagen University	
Department of Linguistics, University of Pennsylvania	1992
Department of Anthropology, Cornell University	
Swedish Association of Applied Linguistics, Uppsala, Sweden	
Wenner-Gren Foundation conference, Priorities for Anthropology in the Next Decade, Tarrytown, NY	1993
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C	
Department of Anthropology, University of Minnesota	1994
Department of Anthropology, University of Montreal	1996
L'Ecole des Hautes Etudes, Paris, Conference on Christianity in the Pacific	1999
University of Texas, San Antonio, Distinguished Lecture	
Stockholm University, Departments of Anthropology and Linguistics, Faculty Seminar	
University of California, Los Angeles, Center for Language, Interaction & Culture	
Wenner-Gren Foundation, International Symposium, "Time and Temporalities in the Anthropological Record." Mallorca.	2000
L'Ecole des Hautes Etudes, Paris, Conference on Christianity in the Pacific 2.	
Stanford University, Department of Linguistics, Departmental Colloquia Series	
University of Arizona, Department of Anthropology Colloquia Series	2001
Brunel University, Plenary Speaker "Children in their Places"	
University of Michigan, Department of Anthropology Colloquia Series	
University of Chicago Department of Anthropology Colloquia Series	
University of Texas, Keynote Speaker, SALSA conference	2002
Harvard University, Social Medicine, Faculty Seminar	

Yale University, Department of Anthropology Colloquia Series	2003
University of California, San Diego, Dept of Anthropology Colloquia Series	2004
University of Amsterdam, Department of Anthropology University of California, Berkeley, Departments of Anthropology, Psychology, Education Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris	2005
University of California, Los Angeles, Keynote Speaker, Center for Language. Interaction & Culture	2006
University of California, Los Angeles. Center for Language, Interaction & Culture	2007
Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, Austria. "Engaging with Linguistic Anthropology Today." University of Northern Arizona, Flagstaff, AZ. "Language across the Univers (ity)." Invited paper: Society for the Anthropology of Religion, Phoenix, Arizona "Missing meanings: Language ideologies and Bible translation in Bosavi PNG" Invited paper: American Anthropological Association Meetings, Washington, DC. "Letters from the Field"	
Organizer, Workshop on Theorizing Change Apr 10-12 Groupe Sociétés, Religions, Laïcités, Paris. Innovations Religieuses et Dynamiques du Changement Culturel en Océanie Contemporaine May 29-30. Musée du Quai-Branley, Workshop on Comparative Christianity (Amazonia/Melanesia) 31 May	2008

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Linguistic anthropology	Oceania, especially Papua New Guinea
Missionization/Indigenous Christianities	Caribbean
Language socialization	Discourse Analysis/Language and law
Acquisition of cultural practices	Literacy
Cultural and linguistic contact and change	