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EMPLOYMENT

University of California – San Diego, La Jolla, CA (2019 – present)
Part-time lecturer, Cognitive Science Department

University of California – Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA (2018 – present)
Associate Director, Diverse Intelligences Summer Institute

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL (2012 – 2021)
Postdoctoral Scholar/Affiliated Researcher, Department of Psychology

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL (2014 – 2019)
Postdoctoral Scholar, Department of Psychology

Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH (2011 – 2012)
Visiting Assistant Professor/Instructor, Department of Cognitive Science

EDUCATION

University of California – San Diego, La Jolla, CA (2005 – 2011)
PhD in Cognitive Science

Duke University, Durham, NC (1999 – 2003)
BA in Linguistics, *Summa cum laude*

OUTREACH

Host and Producer, *Many Minds* podcast (50+ episodes; 2020 – present)

General audience writing for *Aeon*, *Nautilus*, *Scientific American Mind*, etc. (2016 – present)

SELECTED ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

27 articles and book chapters since 2009; 1300+ citations according to Google Scholar

Cooperrider, Kensy, James Slotta, Rafael Núñez (2022). The ups and downs of time and space: Topography in Yupno language, culture, and cognition. *Language and Cognition*, 14(1), 131-159.

Cooperrider, Kensy, and Dedre Gentner (2019). The career of measurement. *Cognition*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cognition.2019.04.011>

Cooperrider, Kensy, Natasha Abner, and Susan Goldin-Meadow (2018). The palm-up puzzle: Meanings and origins of a widespread form in gesture and sign. *Frontiers in Communication*, 3(23). doi: 10.3389/fcomm.2018.00023

Cooperrider, Kensy, Tyler Marghetis, and Rafael Núñez (2017). Where does the ordered line come from? Evidence from a culture of Papua New Guinea. *Psychological Science*, 28(5), 599-608.

Cooperrider, Kensy (2017). Foreground gesture, background gesture. *Gesture*, 16(2), 176-202.

Cooperrider, Kensy, James Slotta, and Rafael Núñez (2017). Uphill and downhill in a flat world: The conceptual topography of the Yupno house. *Cognitive Science*, 41, 768-799.

Núñez, Rafael, and **Kensy Cooperrider** (2013). The tangle of space and time in human cognition. *Trends in Cognitive Sciences*, 17(5), 220-229.

SELECTED HONORS, AWARDS, & GRANTS

2013, Committee for Research and Exploration Grant, National Geographic Society

Project: “Topographies of time in the Yupno valley”

Research team: Rafael Núñez (Principal Investigator), Kensy Cooperrider (Co-investigator), James Slotta (Co-investigator)

2012, Franklin Grant, American Philosophical Society

Project: “Spatial reasoning and bilingualism in Juchitán, Mexico”

2008 – 2009, UCSD, Center for Research in Language (CRL), NIH-funded Predoctoral Training Fellowship in "Language, Communication, and the Brain"

2008, UCSD, Glushko Award for Graduate Excellence, Dept. of Cognitive Science

2008 & 2011, UCSD, Award for Superior Teaching, Dept. of Cognitive Science

2003, Duke, Graduation with Highest Distinction (for honors thesis)

2002, Duke, Phi Beta Kappa

TEACHING

UCSD (6 terms as instructor of record)

Courses: *Language* (3 terms), *Gesture and Cognition* (2 terms), *Human Interaction* (1 term)

Northwestern University (1 term as instructor of record)

Courses: *Cultural Psychology* (in School of Professional Studies)

Case Western Reserve University (2 terms as instructor of record)

Courses: *Cognitive Diversity*, *Human Cognition in Evolution & Development*, *Cognitive Linguistics Workshop*, *Cognitive Linguistic Theory*

SERVICE

Selected ad hoc journal reviewing: Cognition; Cognitive Linguistics; Cognitive Psychology; Cognitive Science; Cognitive Semiotics; Frontiers in Psychology; Gesture; Journal of Pragmatics; Language and Cognition; Language, Cognition and Neuroscience; Lingua; Open Linguistics; Philosophical Psychology; Psychonomic Bulletin & Review; Psychological Review; Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology; Spatial Cognition & Computation; Topics in Cognitive Science; Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Cognitive Science

Other ad hoc reviewing: Cambridge University Press books; John Benjamins books; National Science Foundation; Cognitive Science Society conference; Evolang conference; International Society for Gesture Studies conference

Other service: Board of Reviewers, Cognitive Science (2020 – present); Editorial Board, Gesture (2018 – present); Treasurer, International Society for Gesture Studies (2016 – present)