## Heritage Language Syntax 7 – King's College London

## December 15-16 2026

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| **10:30 – 10:50** | **Registration + coffee** |
| | **Session 1** |
| **10:50 – 11:00** | **Opening remarks** |
| **11:00 – 11:30** | The Acquisition of Persian DP Syntax in Heritage Speakers: Evidence from Adjective Placement and Ezafe<br>Melika Rajabi & Silvina Montrul |
| **11:30 – 12:00** | Syntactic and morphological operations are not equal: adjective agreement in Heritage Tamil<br>Madhusmitha Venkatesan, Pritha Chandra & Roberta D'Alessandro |
| **12:00 – 12:30** | The Long and Short of Heritage Haitian Creole Verbal Morphology<br>Christopher Legerme |
| **12:30 – 13:00** | Effects of Structural and Semantic Prominence on Online Pronoun Resolution in Mandarin-Speaking Adults and Children Aged 9 to 11<br>Shuya Chen, Patrick Sturt, Vicky Chondrogianni |
| **13:00 – 14:00** | **Lunch** |
| **14:00 – 14:30** | Processing English and Chinese novel denominal verbs in heritage Mandarin speakers and Chinese learners of English: An ERP study<br>Chenyi Zhang, Lucy Zhao, Ianthi Maria Tsimpli |
| **14:30 – 15:00** | Individual differences in pronominal processing among late adolescent Mandarin-English heritage speakers<br>Jiuzhou Hao & Jason Rothman |
| **15:00 – 15:30** | Mandarin as a Heritage Language in Western Canada: Tracing shifts in language attitudes, language use, vocabulary, and syntax<br>Phoebe Lam, Adriana Soto-Corominas, Evangelia Daskalaki |
| **15:30 – 16:30** | **Coffee break + posters** |
| **16:30 – 17:00** | Bilingual light verb constructions in German-Catalan code-switching: exploring asymmetry in heritage languages<br>Laia Arnaus Gil, Georgina Alvarez-Morera |
| **17:00 – 17:30** | The Ser/Estar Distinction in Heritage Catalan: The Expression of Location among Senior Speakers in France<br>Núria de Rocafiguera, Laura Núñez-Quesada, Rafael Marín & Sílvia Perpiñán |
| **17:30 – 18:30** | **Keynote 1**<br>**Ludovica Serratrice**<br>**University of Oxford** |

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| **09:15 – 09:30** | **Registration** |
| | **Session 1** |
| **09:30 – 10:00** | Individual differences in the production and predictive processing of differential object marking in child heritage speakers of Spanish<br>Brechje van Osch, Aaron Santa María & Jason Rothman |
| **10:00 – 10:30** | The Strength of Kayne's Generalization in Spanish Heritage Grammars<br>Silvina Montrul, Lorena Alarcón, Irati Hurtado, Karen Pasetto Ovelar |
| **10:30 – 11:00** | The linguistic and social impact of schooling on the acquisition of grammatical case by Polish Heritage Children in England<br>Anna Hart, E Jamieson, Laura Dominguez and James Turner |
| **11:00 – 11:30** | Coffee |
| **11:30 – 12:00** | Adaptive Morphosyntactic Prediction in Turkish as a Heritage Language<br>Fatih Bayram, Jason Rothman, Marit Westergaard |
| **12:00 – 12:30** | Neither Verbalizer nor Voice: Yap- as a Heavy Verb in Turkish-Dutch Bilingual Compound Verbs<br>Deniz Tat |
| **12:30 – 13:00** | Transfer and Complexity in Korean Heritage Speakers' Resultative Formation<br>Martine Gallardo & Silvina Montrul |
| **13:00 – 14:00** | Lunch |
| **14:00 – 14:30** | Transfer in Romanian heritage language: the use of determiners and pronominal clitics<br>Mihaela Pirvulescu |
| **14:30 – 15:00** | Comprehension of which-questions in child heritage Romanian: Effects of cross-linguistic influence?<br>Anamaria Bentea |
| **15:00 – 15:30** | Accusative clitics in child heritage Romanian: An experimental study<br>Larisa Avram, Alexandru Mardale, Elena Soare |
| **15:30 – 16:00** | Coffee |
| **16:00 – 17:00** | **Keynote 2**<br>**Vicky Chondrogianni**<br>**University of Edinburgh** |
| **17:00 – 17:15** | **Closing remarks** |

**Posters**

1. Heritage Bilingualism and Gender Assignment in Code-Mixing: Evidence from Russian-Hebrew Children
   Oksana Rekun and Natalia Meir
2. Case and agreement mismatches in heritage Bosnian/Croatian/Montenegrin /Serbian (BCMS
   Zorica Puškar-Gallien, Onur Özsoy
3. Subordination in Turkish Heritage Children
   Nebiye Hilal Şan
4. Attachment Preferences in Heritage Speakers of Spanish: Processing Ambiguous Relative Clauses in Spanish and English
   Stanley Chen, Nancy Eng, Natalie Hernandez
5. Nominal and locational predication in the Koman Languages
   Andargachew Getu
6. Code-switching as the ecological baseline for heritage language syntax
   Onur Özsoy
7. Designing a narrative-based Mandarin sentence repetition task for child heritage syntax: From theoretical motivation to pilot evidence
   Mu Li, Lucy Zhao
8. Differential Object Marking in the Southern Italo-Romance varieties of New York
   Luigi Andriani
9. Profiling heritage Russian Sign Language in Germany: foundations for a corpus study of agreement and negation
   Evgeniia Khristoforova
10. Possessives in Latin-American heritage Norwegian
    Marie Lund Stokka
11. DOM in child heritage Romanian in contact with Italian and Dutch: experimental data
    Bianca-Elena Babei-Popa
12. Innovating Definiteness in Singular DPs: Heritage Odia in contact with Telangana Telugu
    Akankshya Mishra
13. Morphosyntactic variation in HLS: syntactic processing and contact induced change in Shahpuri heritage speakers
    Iram Zehra
14. Reinterpreting definiteness on a gradient scale: when the general effect of bilingualism meets language-specific pattern

Zetao Xu, Victor Junnan Pan

15. Grammatical gender assignment in German by heritage and non-heritage German-French and German-English simultaneous bilinguals
    E Jamieson, Regina Hert, Vera Heyer, Holger Hopp, Barbara Köpke, Monika S. Schmid
16. Theoretical significance and methodological challenges in studying heritage language syntax in individuals with Down syndrome
    Yuko Matsuoka, Eloi Puig-Mayenco