

Charles H. P. Zuckerman

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Current Appointments

- ♦ Assistant Professor, Department of Formative Education, Boston College, 2023-2024
- ♦ Wenner-Gren Hunt Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Vermont, 2023-Present

Previous Appointments

- ♦ Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, University of California, San Diego, 2023-2024
- ♦ Visiting Researcher and Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, University of Vermont, 2021-2022
 - Taught “Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology” to undergraduate students.
- ♦ Postdoctoral Research Associate, Australian Research Council Project, ‘Do Language Boundaries Stabilize Ethnic Boundaries?’, December 2017-2022
 - Project was based at the University of Sydney and led by Nick Enfield, Professor of Linguistics
- ♦ Visiting Researcher and Lecturer, Department of Linguistics, Georgetown University, 2018-2019
 - Taught “Ethnography of Communication” to undergraduate and graduate students

Education

- ♦ University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Ph.D. (2018) and MA (2013) in Anthropology
 - Dissertation: Good Gambling: Meaning and Moral Economy in Late-Socialist Laos
 - Named the *Louise Williams Distinguished Dissertation* by the University of Michigan’s Department of Anthropology and Selected as the Department’s sole Nominee for the *ProQuest Distinguished Dissertation Award*
 - Committee: Michael Lempert (chair), Nick Enfield, Webb Keane, Judith Irvine, Alaina Lemon, Peter Railton
- ♦ Reed College, Portland, Oregon, B.A. in Linguistics (2009)
 - Commendation for Academic Excellence (2009)

Additional Education

- ♦ 2017 Certificate in Southeast Asian Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- ♦ 2013 Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- ♦ 2011 Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, University of Colorado, Boulder
- ♦ 2010 Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute, Lao Program, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Publications

Edited Special Issues

- ♦ 2024, Charles H. P. Zuckerman and Naveeda Khan, Book Forum on Scott MacLochlainn's *The Copy Generic: How the Nonspecific Makes Our Social Worlds* (Chicago, 2022) in *History and Anthropology*, 1-31.
- ♦ 2021, *The Generic*, Special Issue of *Language in Society* 50(4).
- ♦ 2020, N. J. Enfield, Jack Sidnell, and Charles H.P. Zuckerman, *Studies in the Anthropology of Language in Mainland Southeast Asia*, pp. v-vi. Journal of the Southeast Asian Linguistics Society Special Publication No. 6. University of Hawai'i Press, 2020.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- ♦ 2024 (in press), N. J. Enfield and Charles H. P. Zuckerman, "Mooring: Linguistic practices and the tethering of experience, action, and status," *Current Anthropology*.
- ♦ 2023, Charles H. P. Zuckerman and N. J. Enfield, "The Limits of Thematization," *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology*.
- ♦ 2023, "Video Footage and The Grain of Practice," *Hau: Journal of Ethnographic Theory*, 13 (1): 128-145.
- ♦ 2022, "When Ethics Can't be Found: Evaluative Gaps in Ordinary Life," *Cultural Anthropology*, 37 (3): 450-485.
- ♦ 2022, Charles H. P. Zuckerman and John Mathias, "The Limits of Bodies: Gatherings and the Problem of Collective Presence," *American Anthropologist* 124 (2): 345-357.
- ♦ 2022, Charles H. P. Zuckerman and N. J. Enfield, "The Unbearable Heaviness of Being Kri: House Construction and Ethnolinguistic Transformation in Upland Laos," *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 28 (1): 178-203.
- ♦ 2021, "Figure Composition." *Signs and Society* 9 (3): 263-299.
- ♦ 2021, "Introduction to The Generic Special Issue." *Language in Society* 50 (4): 509-515.
- ♦ 2021, "On the Unity of Types: Lao Gambling, Ethno-Metapragmatics, and Generic and Specific Modes of Typification." *Language in Society* 50 (4): 557-582.
- ♦ 2020, "'Don't gamble for money with friends': Moral Economic Types and their Uses." *American Ethnologist* 47 (4): 432-446.
- ♦ 2016, "Phatic Violence? Gambling and the Arts of Distraction in Laos." *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 26 (3): 294-314.

Book Chapters, Encyclopedia Entries, and Non-Refereed Articles

- ♦ 2024 (Accepted), "Language," with N. J. Enfield. In *The Routledge Handbook of Contemporary Laos*, Creak, Simon, Holly High, and Oliver Tappe (eds.)
- ♦ 2024, Charles H. P. Zuckerman and Naveeda Khan, "Introduction to a Book Forum on Scott MacLochlainn's *The Copy Generic: How the Nonspecific Makes Our Social Worlds* (Chicago, 2022), in *History and Anthropology*, 1-31.

- ♦ 2023, “‘Friends who don’t throw each other away’: Friendship, pronouns, and relations on the edge in Luang Prabang, Laos.” In *Signs of Deference, Signs of Demeanour: Interlocutor Reference and Self-Other Relations across Southeast Asian Speech Communities*, Djenar, Dwi Noverini and Jack Sidnell (eds), 138-159, NUS Press.
- ♦ 2020, “The Phatic: Communication and Communion.” In *International Encyclopedia of Linguistic Anthropology*. James Stanlow, ed. Hoboken, New Jersey, Wiley Blackwell.
- ♦ 2020, Charles H. P. Zuckerman and N. J. Enfield, “Heavy Sound Light Sound: A Nam Noi Metalinguistic Trope.” In N. J. Enfield, Jack Sidnell, and Charles H. P. Zuckerman (eds). *Studies in the Anthropology of Language in Mainland Southeast Asia*, pp. 85–92. *Journal of the Southeast Asian Linguistics Society Special Publication* No. 6. University of Hawai’i Press, 2020.
- ♦ 2017, “Disrupting Agents, Distributing Agency.” In *Distributed Agency*. Nick Enfield and Paul Kockelman, eds. Pp. 253-269. New York: Oxford University Press.
- ♦ 2012, “Lao Lum, Lao Theung, Lao Suung: A Few Reflections on Some Common Lao Ethnonyms.” *Cornell University Southeast Asia Program E-Bulletin* (Spring 2012): 13-18.

Book Reviews

- ♦ 2020, Review of *Money Games: Gambling in a Papua New Guinea Town*. By Anthony J. Pickles. New York; Oxford: Berghahn Books. 2019 Pp: xi + 203 Price: US\$120 *Oceania* 90 (2): 167-168.
- ♦ 2016, Review of *Fields of Desire: Poverty and Policy in Laos* By Holly High Singapore: NUS Press. 2014 Pp: xiv + 213 pp. *Oceania* 86 (2): 214-215.
- ♦ 2013, Review of *Dynamic Embodiment for Social Theory: “I Move Therefore I Am.”* by Brenda Farnell. London and New York: Routledge, 2012. xv + 159 pp. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 23 (3): 221-223.

In Preparation

- ♦ Invited Chapters
 - “The Ethics of Interaction.” In *Emerging Ethnographic Perspectives on Laos*, Lutz, Paul-David and Rosalie Stolz (eds.) For NIAS Press
- ♦ Book Manuscript
 - What the Action is: gambling and moral categories in late-socialist Laos

Teaching

- ♦ Instructor of record for “Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology,” a course for undergraduates at the University of Vermont, Department of Anthropology, Spring 2022
- ♦ Instructor of record for “Ethnography of Communication,” a course for graduate and undergraduate students at Georgetown University, Department of Linguistics, Spring 2019
- ♦ Organizer of Workshops on Video Recording and Analysis in Georgetown University’s Interaction Lab, Fall 2018-2019
- ♦ Supervisor of two Ph.D. students during four months of fieldwork in Laos, Spring and Fall 2018
- ♦ Graduate student instructor for “Exchange, Commodities, and Money” with Webb Keane, Winter 2015

- Awarded Michigan Anthropology “Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor”
- ◆ Graduate student instructor for “Language in Society” with Michael Lempert, Winter 2013
- ◆ Graduate student instructor for “Language and Culture” with Webb Keane, Fall 2013
 - Awarded Michigan Anthropology “Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor”

External Fellowships and Grants

- ◆ Wenner-Gren Hunt Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2023-2024
- ◆ American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship, 2022-2023
- ◆ Fulbright Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship, 2014-2016
- ◆ Wenner-Gren Dissertation Fieldwork Grant, 2013-2014
- ◆ FLAS Academic-Year Fellowship for Thai Language, 2011-2012
- ◆ Linguistic Society of America Linguistic Institute Fellowship, 2011
- ◆ FLAS Academic-Year Fellowship for Thai Language, 2010-2011
- ◆ FLAS Summer Fellowship for Lao Language, 2010

Other Fellowships, Awards, and Honors

- ◆ Keynote speaker for the 7th International Conference on Lao Studies, 2022
- ◆ Winner of the Association of Asian Studies’ Photo Competition, 2019
- ◆ Michigan Department of Anthropology’s Nominee for the ProQuest Distinguished Dissertation Award, 2018
- ◆ Louise Williams Distinguished Dissertation Award, 2018
- ◆ Judith Becker Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Research on Southeast Asia, 2017
- ◆ Rackham Humanities Fellowship, 2016
- ◆ Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant, 2015
- ◆ Rackham Centennial Spring/Summer Fellowship, 2013
- ◆ Runner-up for Society of Linguistic Anthropology's Graduate Student Paper Prize, 2012
- ◆ University of Michigan Anthropology Summer Research Fellowship, 2012
- ◆ University of Michigan Anthropology Summer Research Fellowship, 2011
- ◆ Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant, 2011
- ◆ Awarded "Most Outstanding" Paper at Cornell Southeast Asia Graduate Conference, 2011

Organized Panels and Conferences

- ◆ 2022 Talking on the Road: Language, Pathways, and Bodies in Motion. Society for Linguistic Anthropology Conference. Boulder, CO.
- ◆ 2019 The Generic. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Vancouver, British Columbia.

- ♦ 2019 The Anthropology of Language in Mainland Southeast Asia. International Conference Co-Organized with Nick Enfield and Jack Sidnell. University of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.
- ♦ 2019 “Steps forward”: Social Engineering as policy and practice in the uplands of Laos. Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference. Denver, CO.
- ♦ 2018 Here Comes Everybody: Making Collectivities Present. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. San Jose, CA.
- ♦ 2016 Identifying Ethics: Encounters with a Shapeshifter. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, MN.

Conference Presentations

- ♦ 2022 Society for Linguistic Anthropology Conference. Boulder, CO. “Linguistic Osmosis and Communicative Infrastructure in Laos.”
- ♦ 2021 American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Baltimore, MD, “The Relative Pervasiveness of Ideological Differentiations.”
- ♦ 2019 American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Vancouver, British Columbia. “Gambling for Money, Gambling for Beer: Types and Typification in Laos.”
- ♦ 2019 The Anthropology of Language in Mainland Southeast Asia. University of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia. “House Construction and Ethnic Transformation in Upland Central Laos,” with Nick Enfield
- ♦ 2019 The Anthropology of Language in Mainland Southeast Asia. University of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia. “Heavy Sound Light Sound: A metalinguistic trope of the Nam Noi Valley”, with Nick Enfield.
- ♦ 2019 Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference. Denver, CO, “Reservoir, Rivers, Roads: “Developing” a Protected Area in Laos.”
- ♦ 2018 American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. San Jose, CA, “There Until Dawn: Time and the semiotics of bodily presence in Laos”
- ♦ 2018 Georgetown University Round Table: Approaches to Discourse, “Recording Concern: ‘Good’ surveys and ‘bad’ talk in Luang Prabang, Laos”
- ♦ 2017 Michigan Graduate Student Conference in Linguistic Anthropology, “Gambling Stakes: What the Action is”
- ♦ 2016 American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Minneapolis, MN, “Absent Ethics?: ‘Resisting the urge’ at a Funeral in Laos”
- ♦ 2016 Michigan Graduate Student Conference in Linguistic Anthropology, “The Bet: Money and Men in Laos”
- ♦ 2016 American Ethnological Society (AES) Spring Meeting, “Phatic Violence? Gambling and the Arts of Distraction in Laos”
- ♦ 2015 Michigan Graduate Student Conference in Linguistic Anthropology, “Phatic Habits: Distraction on the Pétanque Court”
- ♦ 2014 3rd Annual NCALA Mini-Conference, University of Virginia, “Support and Sabotage in Lao Money-Gambling”

- ♦ 2014 Retreat on Social Agency, Ringberg Castle, Munich, Germany, “Sabotage and Support in Lao Pétanque Gambling”
- ♦ 2013 The Fourth International Conference on Lao Studies, Madison, WI, “The Sounds of Others: Reflections on Reported Speech in Laos”
- ♦ 2012 American Anthropological Association 2012 Annual Meeting, “The Gradient Resolution of Voice: Forms to Figures in a Hmong Market”
- ♦ 2012 University of Michigan Four-Field Talk, “Studying pétanque across modalities: Video-recording response cries and sympathetic quasi-magic”
- ♦ 2012 Presentation at the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen, “Pétanque and Some of Its Interesting Features for the Study of Interaction”
- ♦ 2012 Michigan Graduate Student Conference in Linguistic Anthropology, “The Gradient Resolution of Voice: Forms to Figures in a Hmong Market”
- ♦ 2012 University of Michigan Four Field Graduate Conference On Kinship, “Signs of Stance; Signs of Substance; Signs of Sharing”
- ♦ 2011 Southeast Asia: Between the Lines: Graduate Student Conference and Workshop, “Reflecting Friendship: Sharing Play and Beer in Pétanque Games in Luang Prabang, Laos”
- ♦ 2011 13th Annual Southeast Asian Studies Graduate Conference, “Lao Lum, Lao Theung, Lao Suung: Some Reflections on Common Lao Ethnonyms”, published in Cornell's SEAP E-Bulletin in Winter 2012
- ♦ 2010 SEASSI Conference, “Lao Lum, Lao Theung, Lao Suung: A Brief Description of Some Common Ethnonyms in Laos”

Languages

- ♦ Lao
- ♦ Some Thai
- ♦ Beginning Saek, Bru, Kri, and French (reading), R (programming language)

Service & Administrative Duties

- ♦ Nominations Committee Member, Society for Linguistic Anthropology, 2024-2027
- ♦ Co-organizer of the University of California, San Diego’s Linguistic Anthropology Lab, Fall 2023-2024
- ♦ Peer Reviewer for Anthropology Today; American Anthropologist; American Ethnologist; Cultural Anthropology; Current Anthropology; Hau: Journal of Ethnographic Theory; Language Science Press; Language in Society; The International Journal of Event and Festival Management; Open Linguistics; Signs and Society; Social Anthropology/Anthropologie Sociale; and The Journal of Linguistic Anthropology.
- ♦ Co-Organizer of Georgetown University’s “Interaction Lab,” Fall 2018-Spring 2019
- ♦ Organized Recurrent Rackham Interdisciplinary Workshop at the University of Michigan: Evidence of Ethics in Action, Winter 2015
- ♦ Worked for the Linguistic Society of America's Summer Institute, 2013
- ♦ Mentored Undergraduate Honors Thesis Students, 2011, 2012, and 2013

- ♦ Mentored Incoming Anthropology Ph.D. Student, Fall 2011-Present
- ♦ Linguistic Anthropology Representative for University of Michigan Anthropology Graduate Association, Fall 2010-Winter 2013
- ♦ Assistant for Discourse Methods Planning Session with Barbra Meek and Susan Philips, Spring 2012
- ♦ Organized Michigan Anthropology Graduate Student "Four Field Grad Talks," Fall 2011-Winter 2012
- ♦ Organized "Michicagoan" Linguistic Anthropology Conference, Spring 2011
- ♦ Organized "Southeast Asia: Between the Lines": Student Conference and Workshop, Spring 2011
- ♦ Volunteer English Instructor at Luang Prabang Provincial Hospital, Laos, Fall 2009-Spring 2010