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Education

- 2012 **Ph.D., Language, Reading, and Culture**
University of Arizona (Tucson, AZ)
Dissertation: *Global Language Identities and Ideologies in an Indonesian University Context* (Advisor: Dr. Perry Gilmore)
- 2006 **M.A., Sociolinguistics**
University of Ottawa (Ottawa, Ontario, Canada)
Thesis: "*C'est ça je travaille dessus*": *Orphaned Prepositions and Relativization in Canadian French*. (Advisor: Dr. Shana Poplack)
- 2004 **B.A., Linguistics**
Minor: Teaching English as a Second Language
B.A., French
B.S., Health Sciences
University of Florida (Gainesville, FL)

Academic Positions

2019-present: Affiliate Faculty, Anthropology Program, Department of Comparative Cultural Studies, University of Houston

2018-present: Associate Professor of Applied Linguistics, Department of English, University of Houston

2012-2018: Assistant Professor of Applied Linguistics, Department of English, University of Houston

Research Interests

Language socialization and identity
State formation and nationalism
Online communication in political organizing

Languages

English: written: native; spoken: native
French: written: fluent; spoken: intermediate
Indonesian: written: intermediate; spoken: fluent
Spanish: written: intermediate; spoken: intermediate

Publications

Books

- Zentz, L. (2017). *Statehood, Scale, and Hierarchy: History, Language, and Identity in Indonesia*. Multilingual Matters.

Articles/Chapters

- Poplack, S., Dion, N. & **Zentz, L.** (submitted). Devrait-on avoir peur des anglicismes? : Un examen empirique de leur effet sur la grammaire du français. *Circula : revue d'idéologies linguistiques* 10. (Special issue: *A-t-on toujours peur des anglicismes? Colloque sur la perception actuelle des anglicismes au Québec et dans l'espace francophone*)
- Zentz, L. (accepted for publication). Nation and nationalism. In *The International Encyclopedia of Linguistic Anthropology*. Wiley.
- Zentz, L. (accepted for publication). Conversational maxims and conversational implicature. In *The International Encyclopedia of Linguistic Anthropology*. Wiley.
- Zentz, L. (accepted for publication). Public/Private. In *The International Encyclopedia of Linguistic Anthropology*. Wiley.
- Zentz, L. (accepted for publication). Semiotics, indexicality, and English in Indonesia. In *Functional Variations in English: Theoretical Considerations and Practical Challenges*. London: Springer.
- Zentz, L. (accepted for publication). Moving languages: syncretism and shift in Central Java. In *Contact Talk: The Discursive Organization of Contact and Boundaries*, Zane Goebel, Deborah Cole, and Howard Mann (eds). Cambridge University Press.
- Zentz, L. (accepted for publication) How much English? Maintaining national purity in globalization. Bolton, K. & Kirkpatrick, A. (eds) *The Handbook of Asian Englishes*. Wiley-Blackwell.
- Zentz, L. (under review). 'Episode hari ini disponsori oleh Nü Green Tea' [Today's episode is sponsored by Nü Green Tea]: Rapport and virtuoso humor in group interviews. In *Rapport and the discursive co-construction of social relations in fieldwork settings*, Goebel, Z. (ed). Oxford University Press.
- Gilmore, P., O'Connor, B.H. & **Zentz, L.** (2016). Taking "language fun" seriously. In Hornberger, N. & Baker, C. (eds.). *Honoring Richard Ruiz and his Work on Language Planning and Bilingual Education*, pp. 205-211. Multilingual Matters.
- Zentz, L. (2016). English on the rise: access and resources in internationalization. In Wickstrom, B.A & Gazzola, M. (eds.). *The Economics of Language Policy*, pp. 433-468. MIT Press.
- O'Connor, B. & **Zentz, L.** (2016). Theorizing mobility in semiotic landscapes: comparative evidence from South Texas and Central Java. *Linguistic Landscape* 2(1), 26-50.
- Zentz, L. (2015). The porous borders of language and nation: English in Indonesia. *Language Problems and Language Planning* 31(1): 50-69.
- Zentz, L. (2015). 'Love' the local, 'use' the national, 'study' the foreign: Shifting Javanese Language Ecologies in (Post-)Modernity, Postcoloniality, and Globalization. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 24(3): 339-359.

- Zentz, L. (2014). 'Is English also the place where I belong?': linguistic biographies and expanding communicative repertoires in Central Java. *International Journal of Multilingualism* 12(1): 68-92.
- Poplack, S., Zentz, L. & Dion, N. (2012). What counts as (contact-induced) change. *Bilingualism: Language and Cognition* 15(2): 247-254.
- Poplack, S., Zentz, L. & Dion, N. (2012). Phrase-final prepositions in Quebec French: An empirical study of contact, code-switching and resistance to convergence. *Bilingualism: Language and Cognition* 15(2): 203-225.

Scholarly Publications

- Editorial board (2018). Lauren Zentz on digital culture in 2018 and 2019. In *Diggit Magazine*. <https://www.diggitmagazine.com/interviews/lauren-zentz-digital-culture>
- Zentz, L. (2016). Five pillars and one language: Monolingual hegemony and national ideology in Indonesia. Proceedings of the 24th World Congress of Political Science.
- Zentz, L. (2016). Moving languages: syncretism and shift in Central Java. In Goebel, Z., Cole, D. & Mann, H. (eds.) *Papers from the Symposium: Margins, Hubs, and Peripheries in a Decentralizing Indonesia*, 162 Special Issue, pp. 51-66. Tilburg Papers in Cultural Studies.
- Zentz, L. (2015). Moving languages: syncretism and shift in Central Java. In Papers from the Symposium: Margins, Hubs, and Peripheries in a Decentralizing Indonesia, Zane Goebel, Deborah Cole, and Howard Mann (eds.). *Tilburg Papers in Cultural Studies*, Paper 141.
- Zentz, L. (2015). The more things change the more they stay the same? Exploring a century of Indonesian language planning discourses. *Tilburg Papers in Cultural Studies*, Paper 133. https://www.tilburguniversity.edu/upload/58848031-fbc2-4742-b796-834f28532871_TPCS_133_Zentz.pdf.
- Zentz, L. (2014) The more things change the more they stay the same? Exploring a century of Indonesian language planning discourses. Presented at the 23rd World Congress of Political Science, Montréal, QC, Canada, 07/21/2014.
- Zentz, L. (2012). Linguistic biographies, expanding repertoires, and motivation in Global English language education. *Tilburg Papers in Cultural Studies*, Paper 17. <http://www.tilburguniversity.edu/research/institutes-and-research-groups/babylon/tpcs/paper17.pdf>.
- Zentz, L. (2012). "Love" the local, "use" the national, "study" the foreign: Shifting Javanese Language Ecologies in (Post-)Modernity, Postcoloniality, and Globalization. Runner-up, Society for Linguistic Anthropology Graduate Student Paper Competition.

Book Reviews

- Zentz, L. (2016). Review of *Dialogue in Multilingual and Multimodal Communities* by Koike, D.A and Blyth, C.S. (eds.). *Multimodal Communication* 5(1): 75-77.
- Zentz, L. (2012). Review of *The Sociolinguistics of Globalization* by Jan Blommaert. *Anthropology & Education Quarterly* 43: 229-231.
- Zentz, L. (2012). Review of *Englishes Around the World: An Introduction* by Edgar W. Schneider. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 22(3): 265-267.

Invited Presentations

- How much English? Maintaining National Purity in Globalization. Plenary Speaker, Asia-Pacific Research in Social Sciences and Humanities Conference, Universitas Indonesia, November 7-9, 2016
- Nationalism, Language Learning, and Language Policy in Indonesia. Invited lecture at Universitas Indonesia, Depok, Indonesia, November 10, 2016.
- How much English? Maintaining national purity in Globalization. Invited lecture at Atma Jaya University, Jakarta, Indonesia, November 11, 2016.
- ‘Episode hari ini disponsori oleh Nü Green Tea’ [Today’s episode is sponsored by Nü Green Tea]: Rapport and virtuoso humor in group interviews. Paper presented at Invited Symposium: Conceptualizing Rapport, LaTrobe University, Melbourne, Australia, July 17-20, 2016.
- Discourse Analysis and Language & Identity in Indonesia: A Two-Part Talk. Invited lecture at Houston Community College, 03/26/15
- Indonesia. Invited lecture for undergraduate course Art in the Muslim World, Instructor: Sehba Sarwar, 09/08/14
- “Is English also the place where I belong?” Communicative and Linguistic Repertoires. Invited lecture for graduate course Sociolinguistics, Instructor: Chatwara Duran, 10/15/14
- Language ecologies and linguistic resources in shift: the case of Indonesia. Invited presentation at Pusat Kajian Bahasa dan Budaya (Center for the Study of Language and Culture), Atma Jaya University, Jakarta, Indonesia, 06/26/2013.
- Discourse analysis: a really broad overview, and then a few targeted examples. Invited lecture for ENGL4300: Introduction to the Study of Language, University of Houston, 04/23/2013.
- Diglossic dreams and shifting realities: language shift, correction and blame in Central Java, Indonesia. Invited presentation at Babylon Center for Studies of the Multicultural Society, Tilburg University, 06/06/2012.
- Concepts in Bakhtin. Invited workshop at Babylon Center for Studies of the Multicultural Society, Tilburg University, 05/23/2012.
- “Love” the local, “use” the national, “study” the foreign: modernity, postcoloniality, and globalization in contemporary Indonesia.” Invited presentation at Babylon Center for Studies of the Multicultural Society, Tilburg University, 05/16/2012.

Conference Presentations

- *Discussant*: Our Language, Our Life: Language Policy, Institutions and Resistance. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Jose, CA, 11/15/2018.
- Poplack, S., **Zentz, L.** & Dion, N. L’impact des anglicismes sur la structure grammaticale du français parlé. Colloque sur la perception des anglicismes au Québec et dans l’espace francophone. Université de Sherbrook, 05/2018.
- Five pillars and one language: Monolingual hegemony and national ideology in Indonesia. Presented at the 24th World Congress of Political Science, Poznań, Poland, July 25, 2016.

- *Chair*: Monolingual Hegemony and National Ideology in the Globalized Development State. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Denver, CO, 11/19/2015.
- Pancasila and One Nation-One Land-One Language: the ideological unification of postcolonial Indonesia. Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Denver, CO, 11/19/2015.
- Moving languages: syncretism and shift in Central Java. Presented at The Sociolinguistics of Globalization Conference, Hong Kong, 06/05/2015.
- Moving people, transporting texts: a comparative case study of linguistic landscapes and language policy on the Texas-Tamaulipas border and Central Java, Indonesia. Presented at Multidisciplinary Approaches to Language Policy and Planning, Calgary, AB, Canada, 09/05/2014.
- Legislative ideologies at “the top”, and their implementational consequences: the case of Indonesia. Presented at the 17th AILA World Congress, Brisbane, QL, Australia.
- The more things change the more they stay the same? Exploring a century of Indonesian language planning discourses. Presented at the 23rd World Congress of Political Science, Montréal, QC, Canada, 07/21/2014.
- *Co-chair*: Mediating Private and (Counter)Public Discourse: Genre, Addressivity, and the Semiotics of (not) Belonging. Zentz, L. & Taylor, C. (organizers). Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, 11/23/2013
- “They don't have the English to get them work”: Constructing an Indonesian Public's Language Needs. Presented at The Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Chicago, 11/23/2013.
- *Kongres Bahasa* (The Language Congress): A top-down exploration of Indonesian language policy. Presented at Multidisciplinary Approaches to Language Policy and Planning, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, 09/07/2013.
- English on the rise: access and resources in internationalization. Presented at the Venice Summer Institute on the Economics of Language Policy, hosted by CESifo Group Munich at Venice International University, 07/26/2013.
- Properly Javanese: a case study of language shift in Central Java. Presented at the International Symposium on the Languages of Java, Padang, Sumatera, Indonesia, 06/07/2013.
- The multilingual state?: a case study of language shift in Central Java, Indonesia. Presented at the annual conference of the American Association for Applied Linguistics, Dallas, TX, 03/16/2013.
- “Love” the local, “use” the national, “study” the foreign: shifting Javanese language ecologies in (post-)modernity, postcoloniality, and globalization. Presented on the Society for Linguistic Anthropology Graduate Student Paper Award Panel, Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA, 11/17/2012.
- *Discussant and co-chair*, The things that they carry: Signs, significance, and semiosis across borders. Panel presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA, 11/14/2012.
- Language ecologies, policies, and shift in a globalizing Indonesia. Presented at the Sociolinguistics Symposium 19, Berlin, Germany, 08/23/2012.

- Legacies of Modernity, Postcoloniality, and Globalization: Language Policy in Indonesia. Presented at the Symposium on Language and the United Nations, New York City, 05/01/2012.

Research and Work Experience

- 2017-present
 - *The Discourses of Internet Political Organization*, research being conducted with political parties in Cuba and the US, in which I examine how members communicate and create/plan actions in online environments.
- 2016-present
 - *Digital and Physical Inroads to Sustaining Scholarly-Community Rapport: Toward a Research Collective on Writing, Community, and Global Culture*. Collaborative research project funded by Hobby Center for Public Policy and CLASS Research Progress Grants. We are investigating stories of Houstonians' lives, immigrants' adaptations to living in Houston and the US, and city policies that affect immigrant and minority communities' livelihoods.
 - Pilot fieldwork, Havana, Cuba. May 28-June 13, 2016. Early stage in investigating Houston-Havana transnationalism in a time of political change.
 - Vice President, Executive Board, Voices Breaking Boundaries
- 2015-2016
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 - Cougar Chairs Leadership Program
- 2014-2015
 - Translator, *Anthologi Puisi Indonesia (Kumpulan Pilihan Yayasan Lontar): Melacak Sejarah Bangsa di Abad Ke-20 Melalui Puisi*. Editors, John H. McGlynn, Dorothea Rosa Herliany, Deborah Cole
 - Executive Board Member, Voices Breaking Boundaries
- 2013-2014
 - Continuing independent fieldwork focused on language and education policies, Jakarta and Salatiga, Central Java, Indonesia
- 2010-2012
 - Visiting Scholar, Babylon Center for Studies of the Multicultural Society, Tilburg University
 - Graduate Research Assistant, Family and Community Case Studies, First Things First External Evaluation Team, Tucson, Arizona
- 2009-2010
 - Dissertation Fieldwork as an Ethnographer and Teacher-Researcher, English Department, Universitas Kristen Satya Wacana: Salatiga, Indonesia. Working Title: *Global Language Identities and Ideologies in an Indonesian University Context*.
- 2007-2008
 - Field Research for COTIM Language and Culture immersion program, Salatiga, Indonesia, Universitas Kristen Satya Wacana
- 2005-2006

- Sociolinguistics Laboratory Research Assistant, University of Ottawa
Role: Data mining and coding for Variation Analysis of language contact between French and English speakers in the region of Ottawa-Hull, Canada.

Courses Taught

- 2019, Socializing the Nation in the Internet Age, online course
- 2018, Introduction to the Study of Language, Language Socialization, online courses
- 2017, Department Approval for the reinstatement of a BA Concentration in Applied Linguistics and a Minor in Applied Linguistics
- 2012-2017, University of Houston
 - Graduate level
 - Discourse Analysis
 - Introduction to Applied Linguistics
 - Language in Postcoloniality and Globalization
 - Undergraduate level
 - Introduction to the Study of Language
 - Introduction to Sociolinguistics
 - Empirical and Theoretical Approaches to Syntax
 - Language Socialization
 - Grammar and Usage
- 2010-2012, University of Arizona
 - Instructor
 - Language, Culture and Race in Education, University of Arizona

Professional Development

- 2015-2016
 - Cougar Chairs Leadership Academy, University of Houston

Service and Academic Societies

- 2014-2019
 - Editorial Team, *Anthropology and Education Quarterly*
 - Chair, Dissertation Award Committee, Council on Anthropology and Education, American Anthropological Association
 - Member-at-large, Council on Anthropology and Education, American Anthropological Association
 - Board Member, RC50 The Politics of Language, International Political Sciences Association
 - Research Network on Multilingual Diversity in a Changing Indonesia
 - Fulbright Review Committee, University of Houston
 - Executive Board Member, Voices Breaking Boundaries
 - Steering Committee, Empire Studies Collective, English Department, University of Houston
 - Upper Division Committee, English Department, University of Houston

- Graduate Studies Committee, English Department, University of Houston
- Planning Committee, English Department, University of Houston
- Book reviewer, *Learning Batak, Language and Power in New Order Indonesia*. SEAP Publications, Cornell University Press.
- Journal Referee for *Linguistic Landscape*
- Journal Referee for *Applied Linguistics*
- Journal Referee for *Anthropology and Education Quarterly*
- Abstract Referee for the Council on Anthropology and Education
- Abstract Referee for the American Educational Research Association
- Copy Editor, *Borderlines*, Voices Breaking Boundaries
- Mentor, Texas Performance Standards Project, Carnegie Vanguard High School
- 2013-2014
 - Upper Division Committee, English Department, University of Houston
 - Journal Referee for *Language Policy*
 - Journal Referee for *Anthropology and Education Quarterly*
 - Abstract referee for the Annual Meeting of the American Association for Applied Linguistics
 - Faculty Liaison to the Graduate Student Committee, Council on Anthropology and Education, American Anthropological Association
- 2012-2013
 - Lower Division Committee, English Department, University of Houston
 - External grader, Language Training Center, Satya Wacana Christian University, Salatiga, Central Java, Indonesia
 - Journal Referee, *Applied Linguistics*
 - Proposal Review Committee, Council on Anthropology and Education section of the American Anthropological Association
 - Award Committee, Outstanding Teaching Fellow Award for Excellence in Core Curriculum Teaching 1303, English Department, University of Houston
 - Faculty Liaison to the Council on Anthropology and Education Graduate Student Committee
 - Lower Division Committee, English Department, University of Houston
- 2010-2012
 - Graduate Student Representative to the Council on Anthropology and Education section of the American Anthropological Association
 - External Reviewer, Tilburg Papers in Cultural Studies, Tilburg University, The Netherlands
 - Member, Arizona Editorial Team for *Anthropology and Education Quarterly* Scholarly Journal (2008-2012)
 - Co-chair, Inaugural Arizona Anthropology and Education Exchange, University of Arizona

International Experience

- 2016

- Invited presentations at Asia-Pacific Research in Social Sciences and Humanities Conference, Universitas Indonesia; English Department, Universitas Indonesia; and Atma Jaya University. Jakarta, Indonesia, November 6-13, 2017.
- Conference: International Political Science Association, Poznan, Poland, July 23-28, 2016.
- Invited presenter, Conceptualizing Rapport Symposium, LaTrobe University, Melbourne, Australia, July 17-20, 2016.
- Pilot fieldwork, Havana, Cuba. May 28-June 13, 2016.
- 2012-2013
 - Continuing fieldwork, Jakarta and Central Java, Indonesia
 - Conference: The Economics of Language Policy, Venice, Italy
- 2011-2012
 - Visiting Scholar, Babylon Center for Studies of the Multicultural Society, Tilburg University: Tilburg, The Netherlands.
- 2009-2010
 - Teacher-Researcher, English Department, Universitas Kristen Satya Wacana (Satya Wacana Christian University): Salatiga, Java, Indonesia.
- 2008-2009
 - Advanced Indonesian Abroad Summer Immersion Program, Consortium for the Teaching of Indonesian and Malay. Universitas Kristen Satya Wacana (Satya Wacana Christian University): Salatiga, Java, Indonesia.
- 2005-2006
 - Department of Linguistics, Masters' Degree Program. University of Ottawa: Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
- 2004-2005
 - English Language Teacher, French Public Elementary Schools. Gien, France.
- 2000-2001
 - UF en Provence, University of Florida Summer Immersion Program: Avignon, France.

Honors/Awards

- 2017
 - \$6,000 Research Progress Grant, CLASS, University of Houston
- 2016
 - \$10,000 Grant from Hobby Center for Public Policy, University of Houston
 - Runner-up, Ton Vallen Award, Babylon Center for the Study of Superdiversity, Tilburg University, Netherlands. Awarded October 2016. (Article submitted: Zentz, L. (2015). "Love" the local, "use" the national, "study" the foreign: Shifting Javanese Language Ecologies in (Post-)Modernity, Postcoloniality, and Globalization. *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* 24(3): 339–359.)
 - Houston Visiting Scholar Grant for hosting Darcy Alexandra. Department of English, University of Houston. Awarded September 2016.
 - Project Completion Grant, University of Houston
- 2015
 - New Faculty Research Grant, University of Houston
- 2014

- Houstoun Visiting Scholar Grant for hosting Curtis Acosta. Department of English, University of Houston. Awarded February 2014.

Professional Memberships & Research Networks

- Multilingual Diversity in a Changing Indonesia Research Network, 2015-present
- International Association for Applied Linguistics, 2014-present
- International Political Studies Association, 2014-present
 - Research Committee 50: The Politics of Language (board member, 2016-present)
- American Association for Applied Linguistics, 2010-2016, 2018-present
- American Anthropological Association, 2007-present
 - Council on Anthropology and Education (board member at large, Dec. 2017-)
 - Society for Linguistic Anthropology
 - Language and Social Justice Committee
- Modern Language Association, 2010-2012
- American Educational Research Association, 2010-2012
- International Studies Association, 2008-2010