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## Research Interests

semantics, pragmatics, syntax-semantics interface, Japanese

## Education

<b>September 2014 – Present</b>	Ph.D. (in progress), Department of Linguistics, University of California, Santa Cruz
<b>March 2014</b>	M.A., Graduate school of the University of Tokyo Thesis: On Italian Nominal Semantics in the Left Periphery
<b>March 2012</b>	B.A., the University of Tokyo Thesis: On Italian Noun Phrases with Kinship-term Heads
<b>September 2010 – April 2011</b>	Exchange student, University of Toronto

## Publications

### Conference Proceedings

- 2013** Mori, Y. and H. Hirayama. 'Bare Plurals in the Left Periphery in German and Italian.'  
In *New Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence: JSAI-isAI 2013 Workshops, LENLS, JURISIN, MiMI, AAA, and DDS*, Kanagawa, Japan, October 27-28, 2013, Revised Selected Papers Proceedings of LENLS10. 82–97.

### Book Review

- 2015** Hirayama, H. Review of Tomoko Ishizuka, *The Passive in Japanese: A cartographic minimalist approach*.  
In *Journal of Japanese Linguistics* 31, 115–118.

## Presentations

### Peer-Reviewed Conference Presentations

- 2016** Hirayama, H. 'Two kinds of *nai* questions in Japanese'  
Theoretical Linguistics at Keio (TaLK) Tokyo, Japan
- 2016** Hirayama, H. 'A Null Pronominal Account for Apparent Parasitic Gaps in Japanese' (Poster)  
Formal Approaches to Japanese Linguistics (FAJL) 8, Mie, Japan
- 2015** Hirayama, H. 'Japanese Modified Numerals and Ignorance Inference',  
150th Linguistics Society of Japan meeting, Tokyo, Japan
- 2014** Mori, Y. and H. Hirayama. 'Definite Readings of Left-dislocated Indefinites',  
Workshop on Indefinites in Discourse Structure, Köln, Germany
- 2014** Mori, Y. and H. Hirayama. 'Nominal Semantics in the Left Periphery in German and Italian.'  
Specificity Workshop, Trento, Italy
- 2013** Mori, Y. and H. Hirayama. 'Bare Plurals in the Left Periphery in German and Italian.'  
Logic and Engineering of Natural Language Semantics 10 (LENLS 10), Kanagawa, Japan

## Other Presentations

- 2017** Hirayama, H. 'Expressing ignorance in Japanese'  
Workshop at Waseda Institute for the Study of Language and Information Tokyo, Japan  
(given in Japanese)
- 2017** Hirayama, H. 'Expressing ignorance in Japanese: *wa* vs. *at least*'  
Linguistics at Santa Cruz (LASC) 2017, UC Santa Cruz
- 2017** Hirayama, H. 'On *nai* and *no(da)* questions in Japanese'  
UCSC-Stanford Workshop on sentence types, UC Santa Cruz
- 2016** Hirayama, H. 'An analysis of negative biased questions in Japanese as tag questions'  
California Universities Semantics and Pragmatics (CUSP) 9, UC Santa Cruz
- 2016** Hirayama, H. '(Apparent) Parasitic Gaps in Japanese'  
Syntax & Semantics Circle UC Berkeley
- 2016** Hirayama, H. 'Deriving obligatory movement of wh-phrase in a wh-in-situ language'  
Linguistics at Santa Cruz (LASC) 2016, UC Santa Cruz
- 2015** Hirayama, H. 'Japanese contrastive *wa* and ignorance inferences',  
California Universities Semantics and Pragmatics (CUSP) 8, Stanford

## Fellowships and Awards

- September 2015 – Present** Yoshida Scholarship Foundation Fellowship for studying overseas
- September 2014 – August 2015** Fulbright Principal Candidate
- 2014** Full-Exemption of Returning of JASSO Scholarship Loan  
with Outstanding Works

## Teaching Experience

### University of California, Santa Cruz

- 2018** Syntax II (Teaching Assistant, 2018 Spring)  
Instructor: Jorge Hankamer  
Semantics II (Teaching Assistant, 2018 Winter)  
Instructor: Maziar Toosarvandani
- 2016–2017** JAPN1-3: First-year Japanese (Graduate Student Instructor)
- 2015–2016** Semantics I (Teaching Assistant, 2016 Winter)  
Instructor: Donka Farkas  
Introduction to Linguistics (Teaching Assistant, 2015 Fall)  
Instructor: Adrian Brasoveanu

### The University of Tokyo

- 2013–2014** Statistical Data Analysis (Teaching Assistant, 2013 Winter)  
Studies in the Japanese Language (Teaching Assistant, Grader, 2013 Summer)  
English II (Teaching Assistant, 2013 Summer)
- 2012–2013** Statistical Data Analysis (Teaching Assistant, 2012 Winter)  
Computer Analysis of Japanese I (Teaching Assistant, 2012 Summer)

## Other Experience

- Spring 2017** Part-time Research Assistant (Supervisor: Shigeko Okamoto)
- Spring 2016 – Spring 2017** Event Committee Chair, UCSC
- April 2012 – August 2014** Technical Assistant  
Department of Language and Information Science, the University of Tokyo  
— User assistance and management of websites of the department
- October 2010 – April 2011** Work-study Program  
University of Toronto, St. George Campus and Scarborough Campus  
— Held office hours for Japanese learners

— Coached students for a Japanese speech contest

**Ad hoc Reviewer**

*Glossa: A Journal of General Linguistics, Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*

## **Qualifications**

**2013**

Japanese Language Teaching Competency Test  
(conducted by The Society for Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language)  
Certificazione di Italiano come Lingua Straniera (CILS) B2  
(Certification of Italian as a Foreign Language)

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