

**First North American Conference in Iranian Linguistics (NACIL 1)**  
 Stony Brook University, Charles B. Wang Center  
 April 28 - 30, 2017

**Friday April 28th**

8:00-9:00

**Breakfast & Registration**  
*Wang Center Theater Lobby*

9:00-9:30

**Opening Remarks**  
*Lecture Hall 2*

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**Plenary Address 1 (Wang Center, Lecture Hall 2), Chair: Richard Larson**

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9:30-10:30

**Jila Ghomeshi (University of Manitoba)**  
*The Additive Marker in Conversational Persian: A Case of Inflectional Spread*

10:30-11:00

**Coffee Break (Wang Center Theater Lobby)**

**Session 1**

**Wang Center Room 101, Chair: Robert Hoberman  
 (Documentation)**

**Wang Center Room 201, Chair: Daniel Finer  
 (Syntax)**

11:00-11:30

Erik Anonby, Morteza Taheri-Ardali (Carleton University & Universität Bamberg, Shahr-e Kord University)  
*Chahar Mahal va Bakhtiari Province in The Atlas of The Languages of Iran*

Vida Samiian (California State University, Fresno)  
*Another Look at Ezafe Construction: Data from Caspian Languages*

11:30-12:00

Habib Borjjan (Columbia University)  
*Is There Continuity Between Gilaki And Mazandarani?*

Zahra Mirrazi, Ali Darzi (University of Massachusetts At Amherst, University of Tehran)  
*Neg-Raising: The Case of Persian*

12:00-12:30

Mortaza Taheri-Ardali (Shahr-e Kord University)  
*Salient Linguistic Features and Isoglosses in Chahar Mahal va Bakhtiari Province, Iran*

Arsalan Kahnemuyipour, Mansour Shabani (University of Toronto Mississauga, Guilan University)  
*Split Topicalization in Eshkevarat Gilaki*

12:30-1:30

**Lunch**

## Friday April 28th

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### Plenary Address 2 (Wang Center, Lecture Hall 2), Chair: Marie Huffman

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1:30-2:30

**Pollet Samvelian (Université Sorbonne Nouvelle)**  
*The Evolution of Verbal Agreement in Iranian Languages*

#### Session 2

**Wang Center Room 101, Chair: John Drury**  
**(Experimental)**

**Wang Center Room 201, Chair: Jiwon Yun**  
**(Syntax)**

2:30-3:00

Pouneh Shabani-Jadidi (McGill University)  
*Why Experimental Studies?*

Tahir Rebwar (Newcastle University)  
*Two DP Layers Within the Central Kurdish Noun Phrase*

3:00-3:30

Marziyeh Yousefi (University of Victoria)  
*Epenthesis in SC Onset Clusters in Persian- English Interlanguage:  
Linguistic and Extra-Linguistic Factors*

Roya Kabiri, Ali Darzi (University of Arizona, University of Tehran)  
*The Syntactic Analysis of Conditionals in Persian*

3:30- 4:00

**Coffee Break (Wang Center Theater Lobby)**

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### Guest Talk (Wang Center, Lecture Hall 2), Chair: Thomas Graf

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4:00-5:00

**Colin Phillips (University of Maryland)**  
*Speaking, Understanding, And Linguistic Architecture*

#### Session 3

**Wang Center Room 101, Chair: Mark Aronoff**  
**(Morphology)**

**Wang Center Room 201, Chair: Francisco Ordóñez**  
**(Syntax: Ellipsis)**

5:00 – 5:30

Sahar Taghipour (University of Kentucky)  
*Identity Avoidance in Morphology; Evidence from Polyfunctional Clitics of  
Sorani Kurdish*

Vahideh Rasekhi, Nazila Shafiei (Stony Brook University)  
*Ellipsis in Persian: Verb Phrase Ellipsis or Argument Ellipsis?*

5:30-6:00

Justin Power (University of Texas at Austin)  
*A Lexicostatistical Comparison of Tajik Sign Language and Afghan Sign  
Language*

Ryan Walter Smith, Mohsen Mahdavi, Rana Nabors, Isabel McKay, Heidi  
Harley, Simin Karimi (University of Arizona)  
*Parallelism and Specificity in Persian Ellipsis*

6:30

**Wine & Cheese & Music at Simons Center**  
**Music by Alan Kushan**

## Saturday April 29th

8:30-9:30

Breakfast (Wang Center Theater Lobby)

### Session 4

**Wang Center Room 101, Chair: Ellen Broselow  
(Phonology)**

**Wang Center Room 201, Chair: Vida Samiian  
(Syntax)**

9:30-10:00

Ehsan Shafiee Zargar, Hamed Rahmani (University of Texas At Arlington,  
Radboud University)  
Musical Rhythm in Persian Poetic Meters

Ryan Walter Smith (University of Arizona)  
Argument Ellipsis in Zazaki: A Problem for The Anti-Agreement Theory

10:00-10:30

Mohsen Mahdavi Mazdeh (University of Arizona)  
The Quantitative Nature of Meters in Persian Folk Songs and Pop Song  
Lyrics

Vahideh Rasekhi (Stony Brook University)  
Stripping Constructions in Persian

10:30-11:00

Daniel Barry (The Graduate Center, CUNY)  
Kurmanji Kurdish Pharyngeals: Emergence and The Perceptual Magnet  
Effect

Catherine Nouri (Université Lille 3)  
A General Overview of Spatial Events in Persian

11:00-12:00

### Poster Session (Wang Center Theater Lobby)

Hakob Avchyan (Yerevan State University)  
Enclitic Pronouns in The Anbarāni Dialect of The Talyshi Language

Rana Nabors (University of Arizona)  
Persian Morphological Causatives

Neda Taherkhani (Purdue University)  
A Morpho-Phonological Analysis of Vowel Changes in Takestani-Tati Verb Conjugations

Songül Gündoğdu Yücel (Muş Alparslan University & Boğaziçi University)  
Goal Constituents Across Kurmanji Dialects

12:00-1:00

Lunch (and Business Session)

## Saturday April 29th

### Plenary Address 4 (Wang Center, Lecture Hall 2), Chair: Arsalan Kahnemuyipour

1:00-2:00

**Simin Karimi (University of Arizona)**

*Another Look at Persian Râ: A Single Formal Analysis of a Multi-Functional Morpheme*

2:00-2:30

**Coffee Break (Wang Center Theater Lobby)**

#### Session 5

**Wang Center Room 101, Chair: Paola C peda  
(Documentation)**

**Wang Center Room 201, Chairs: Vahideh Rasekhi & Nazila Shafiei  
(On RA in Persian)**

2:30-3:00

Erik Anonby (Carleton University & Universit t Bamberg)  
*A Three-Dimensional Approach to Classification of Iran's Languages*

Masoud Jasbi (Stanford University)  
*The Semantics of "Ra": Let's Be More Specific!*

3:00-3:30

D nes Gazsi (University of Iowa)  
*The Persian Dialects of The Ajam in Kuwait*

Pegah Faghiri (Universit  Sorbonne Nouvelle)  
*Revisiting the R -Marked vs. Non-R -Marked Dichotomy in The Analysis  
of The Persian VP*

3:30-4:00

Paloma Jeretic (New York University)  
*Shughni Demonstratives as Markers of Spatial and Social Distance*

Leah Chapman, Zahra Mirrazi (University of Massachusetts at Amherst)  
*Structural Locations and Competitions: The Case of Persian RA*

4:00-4:30

**Coffee Break (Wang Center Theater Lobby)**

#### Session 6

**Wang Center Room 101, Chair: Andrei Antonenko  
(Typology)**

**Wang Center Room 201, Chair: Richard Larson  
(Semantics)**

4:30-5:00

Faruk Akkuş (University of Pennsylvania)  
*Deriving Split-Ergativity in Iranian Languages*

Narges Nematollahi (Indiana University)  
*A Semantic Analysis of Mood Selection in Complement Clauses in  
Persian*

5:00-5:30

Shahar Shirtz (University of Oregon)  
*Co-Expression Patterns of Nominal Predicate Functions in (Indo-) Iranian*

Masoud Jasbi, Leila Habibi (Stanford University, University of Western  
Ontario)  
*The Suffix that Makes Persian Nouns Unique*

5:30-6:00

Bet l Erbaşı, Song l G ndođdu (University of Southern California, Muş  
Alparslan University & Bođaziçi University)  
*Ezafe Across Language Families: Iranian and Altaic*

Elias Abdollahnejad, Dennis Ryan Storoshenko (University of Calgary)  
*Syntactic and Semantic Constraints on Pronoun and Anaphor Resolution  
in Persian*

6:30

**Dinner Banquette at Hilton Garden Inn**

## Sunday April 30th

8:00-9:00

**Breakfast** (*Wang Center Theater Lobby*)

**ELA Panel on Endangered Iranian Languages (Wang Center, Lecture Hall 2), Chair: Lori Repetti**

9:00-10:00

Daniel Kaufman, Habib Borjian, Daniel Barry, Ross Perlin, Kathryn Rafailov, Matthew Zaslansky  
**Endangered Iranian Languages In NYC**

10:00-10:30

Murad Suleymanov (École pratique des hautes études)  
**Adpositional Constructions in Upper Şirvan Tat**

10:30-11:00

Teresa O'Neill & Samantha Mateo (Columbia & CUNY Graduate Center, Columbia)  
**Contact Induced Change in Zazaki**

11:00-11:30

Daniel Kaufman (Queens College, CUNY & ELA)  
**Double Oblique Case and Agreement Across 2 Dialects of Wakhi**

11:30-12:00

**Final Remarks (Richard Larson & Vida Samiian)**