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Professor and Sociolinguistics Laboratory Director,
University of Washington, Department of Linguistics

Areas of research: *Sociolinguistics (dialect contact, interethnic contact, social network theory, sociophonetics, language ideology, language attitudes, development of sociolinguistic competence in children), socio-ethnic dialect bias in Automatic Speech Recognition, Acoustic phonetics (Vowel inherent spectral change, spectral and temporal characteristics of vowels), Creole linguistics (Jamaican Creole phonetics and phonology)*

Education

- 1999 **PhD Linguistics**, University of Michigan
Thesis title: "A Sociophonetic Analysis of Jamaican Vowels." Nominee:
Horace H. Rackham Distinguished Dissertation Award.
Co-chairs: Patrice Speeter Beddor, A. Lesley Milroy
- 1990 **B.A.**, Houghton College, NY
Communication, Creative Writing (English literature emphasis); Spanish minor.
summa cum laude

Academic Employment

- 2022-2025 **Byron and Alice Lockwood Professor in the Humanities**,
University of Washington, Department of Linguistics
- 2022 **Arthur & Helen Whiteley Distinguished Fellow**
- 2021-present **Professor**, University of Washington, Department of Linguistics
- 2005-present **Director**, Sociolinguistics Laboratory, University of Washington
- 2019-present **External Examiner in Linguistics and Phonetics**, University of the West
Indies, Mona, Kingston, Jamaica
- 2019-2020 **Consultant, Microsoft Research, Aether Fairness Group**, Microsoft
Corporation
- 2006-2021 **Associate Professor**, University of Washington
- 2006-09 **Howard and Frances Nostrand Endowed Professor of Language and
Cultural Competence**
- 1999-2006 **Assistant Professor**, University of Washington, Department of Linguistics
- 2002 **Visiting Research Fellow**, University of the West Indies, Mona, Kingston,
Jamaica
- 2002 **Affiliate**, iLabs (Institute for Learning & Brain Sciences), University of
Washington

- 1994-7 **Editorial Assistant**, *Journal of Phonetics*
- 1994 **Research Assistant**, (P. Beddor, Principal Investigator): cross-linguistic phonetic study of coarticulation in speakers of English and Shona, U of Michigan
- 1994 **Research Assistant**, English Language Institute, U of Michigan: study of the influence of genre-based instruction on the reading strategies of 11 ESL students (S. Hyon, PI)
- 1990-92 **Instructor**, Delaware Valley Literacy Council, Upper Darby, PA: English as a Second Language (earned ESL certificate)

Research Grants and Contracts

- 2023 SocioLinx: linking sociolinguistics with voice technology to address bias in Automatic Speech Recognition, University of Washington CoMotion-Population Health Innovation Gap Fund, under title: "SocioLx Solutions," \$50,000 USD. Role: PI
- 2019 *"The Social Networks of Ethnic Minority Speakers,"* National Science Foundation. \$319,000 USD. Role: PI (BCS-1844350)
- 2012 *"Dialect Evolution and Ongoing Variable Linguistic Input: Production and Perception of the English spoken in the Pacific Northwest,"* National Science Foundation. \$250,000 USD. Role: PI (BCS-1147678)
- 2007 *"Dialect Evolution and Ongoing Variable Linguistic Input: English in the Pacific Northwest 200 years after Lewis and Clark,"* National Science Foundation. Award Amount: \$97,000 USD. Role: PI (BCS-0643374)
- 2007 *"How strict is the "mother tongue"? Using Dialects to Probe Early Speech Perception and Word Recognition"*. Australian Research Council/National Institute of the Humanities Research Grant (Drs. Catherine Best and Christine Kitamura, co-PIs). \$1.4million USD. Role: consultant.
- 2005 Curriculum Development Award, African Studies Minor, University of Washington. \$2,000. LING455: Areal Linguistics.
- 2003 Royalty Research Fund, University of Washington. \$40,000. "Spectral Overlap Assessment Metric: vowel analysis and 3-D graphical representation". Software development (<http://vois3d.com>) Role: PI.
- 2002 Center for Mind, Brain and Learning, University of Washington (now i-Labs). \$101,788. "Intraspeaker variability in Motherese, Hyperspeech and the Lombard Reflex" (Co-PI with Richard Wright, Department of Linguistics)
- 2002 Junior Faculty Development Grant, University of Washington. \$30,000. Investigation of intra-speaker variability in Jamaican Creole. Role: Principal Investigator
- 2000 Curriculum Development Grant, University of Washington. \$27,722 Role: co-awardee (with Julia Herschensohn, Karen Zagona, and Richard Wright)
- 2000 "Intrinsic f0 in Jamaican Creole". Faculty Fellows Undergraduate Research Assistantship Award, University of Washington. \$1,000. Role: PI

1999 Allen Endowment Award, University of Washington. \$10,000. Grant to supplement the holdings of the Sociolinguistics laboratory with electronic corpora.

Publications

Edited Volumes:

2020

Fridland, V., Wassink, A. B., Kendall, T., and Hall-Lew, L. (2020) *Speech in the Western States, vol 3: understudied dialects. Publications of the American Dialect Society.*

2019

Buchstaller, I. and Blake, R. (2019) *The Routledge Companion to the Work of John Rickford.* New York: Routledge. Part III: The Political Ramifications of Linguistic Heterogeneity. (Section Editor) <https://doi.org/10.4324/9780429427886>

2018

Fridland, V., Kendall, T., Wassink, A. B. and Evans, B. (2018) *Speech in the Western States, vol 2: the mountain West. Publications of the American Dialect Society.*

2017

Fridland, V., Kendall, T., Wassink, A. B. and Evans, B. (2017) *Speech in the Western States, vol 1: the coastal states. Publications of the American Dialect Society 101, No. 1.*

Chapters in Edited Collections:

2024

Wassink, A. B. (in press) *US English, Western.* In Wiley Blackwell Encyclopedia of World Englishes (K. Bolton, ed.). London: Wiley-Blackwell. <https://www.wiley.com/en-us/The+Wiley+Blackwell+Encyclopedia+of+World+Englishes%2C+6+Volume+Set-p-9781119518310>

2020

Wassink, A. B. and Hargus, S. (2020) "Heritage Language and Features and the Yakima English Dialect". In, *Speech in the Western States, vol 3: understudied dialects* (V. Fridland, A. Wassink, T. Kendall and L. Hall-Lew, eds). *Publications of the American Dialect Society 103.* Durham: Duke UP. <https://doi.org/10.1215/00031283-8820598>

Wassink, A. B. (2020) "Where Sociolinguistics and Speech Science Meet: The physiological and acoustic consequences of underbite in a multilectal speaker of African-American English." In Buchstaller, I. and Blake, R. *The Routledge Companion to the Work of John Rickford.* New York: Routledge.

2019

Wassink, A. B. (2019) English in the Evergreen State. In K. Denham and A. Lobeck (eds.) *Northwest Voices,* Corvallis: Oregon State University Press.

2017

Wassink, A. B. The Vowels of Washington State (2017) In *Speech in the Western States: vol. 1: the coastal states* (Fridland, V. Kendall, T. Wassink, A.B. and Evans, B., eds.). *Publications of the American Dialect Society.* Duke University Press. <https://doi.org/10.1215/00031283-3772912>

2011

di Paolo, M., Yaeger-Dror, M. and Wassink, A. B. (2011) Analyzing Vowels, ch. 8. In, *Sociophonetics: A Student's Guide* (Marianna di Paolo and Malcah Yaeger Dror, eds.). London: Routledge.

2010

Wassink, A. B. (2010) "Growing up with two 'Black Languages': kinship and attitudes toward Jamaican Creole and African-American English", ch. 7. In Lanehart, S. (ed.) *African American Women's Language: Discourse, Education and Identity*. Boston: Cambridge UP, pp. 127-140.

Thomas, E. R. and Wassink, A. B. (2010) "Variation and Identity in African American English", ch. 15. In, Watt, D. and Llamas, C. (eds.) *Language and Identities*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh UP.

2005

Wassink, A. B. (2005) "My Teacher Says...: Linguistic Competence and the Anglophone Creole Speaking Student." In Denham, K. and Lobeck, A. (eds.) *Language in the Schools: Integrating linguistic knowledge into K-12 teaching*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum. pp55-70

Refereed Articles:

2024

Squizzero, R., Horst, M., Wassink, A. B., Panicacci, A., Jensen, M., Moroz, A., Conrod, K., Bender, E.M. (under review) Enhancing linguistic research through critical use of race and ethnicity, *Language*.

2022

Wassink, A. B., Gansen, C., and Bartholomew, I. (2022) Uneven success: automatic speech recognition and ethnicity-related dialects, *Speech Communication*.

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0167639322000486?via%3Dihub>

2015

Wassink, A. B. (2015) "Sociolinguistic Patterns in Seattle English" *Language Variation and Change* 27(1): 31-58. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1017/S0954394514000234>

2010

Scanlon, M. and Wassink A. B. (2010) "African American English in Urban Seattle: accommodation and intra-speaker variation in the Pacific Northwest" *American Speech* 85(2), pp 205-224

2009

MacLeod, A. N., Stoel-Gammon, C. and Wassink, A. B. (2009) "Production of high vowels in Canadian English and Canadian French: a comparison of early bilingual and monolingual speakers." *Journal of Phonetics*, 37(4), pp 374-387

2008

Franklin, A., Stoel-Gammon, C. and Wassink, A. B. (2008) "Acoustic quantification of /i/-/ɪ/ overlap in children 21 to 33 months", *International Journal of Speech-Language Pathology* 10(5), pp1-14

2007

Wassink, A. B., Wright, R. A. and Franklin, A. (2007) "Intraspeaker variability in vowel production: an investigation of motherese, hyperspeech, and Lombard speech in Jamaican speakers," *Journal of Phonetics* 35(3), pp 363-379

2006

Wassink, A. B. (2006) "A geometric representation of spectral and temporal vowel features: Quantification of vowel overlap in three varieties," *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*, 119(4), pp 2334-2350

2004

Wassink, A. B. and Dyer, J. (2004) "Language Ideology and the Transmission of Phonological Change," *Journal of English Linguistics* 32(1), pp1-16
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0075424203261799>

Wassink, A. B. and Curzan, A. (2004) "Addressing Ideologies Around African American English," *Journal of English Linguistics*, 32(3), pp 171-185 DOI: 10.1177/0075424204268229

2001

Wassink, A. B. (2001) "Theme and Variation in Jamaican Vowels," *Language Variation and Change*, 13(2), pp 135-159

Dyer, J. and Wassink, A. B. (2001) "Taakin' Braad and Talking Broad: the changing indexicality of phonological variants," *Texas Linguistic Forum* 44(2). Austin: UT Austin, pp288-301 (equally co-authored)

1999

Wassink, A.B. (1999) "Historic Low Prestige and Seeds of Change: attitudes toward Jamaican Creole," *Language in Society*, 28(1), pp57-92

Conference Proceedings and Working Papers, Full Paper Review:

2021

Robert Squizzero, Martin Horst, Alicia Beckford Wassink, Alex Panicacci, Monica Jensen, Anna Kristina Moroz, Kirby Conrod, Emily M. Bender. "Collecting and using race and ethnicity information in linguistic studies" *University of Washington Working Papers in Linguistics*, <https://digital.lib.washington.edu/researchworks/handle/1773/48570>

2020

Wassink, A. B. and Chartier, N. (2020) "Insufficient documentation in contemporary dialectology: the case of Washington State." In, *Essays in the history of dialect studies. From ancient Greece to modern dialectology* (Raf Van Rooy, ed.): 157:165. Münster: Nodus Publikationen - Wissenschaftlicher Verlag. ISBN: 978-3-89323-022-8.

2010

Scanlon, M. and Wassink, A. B. (2010) "Using Acoustic Trajectory Information in Studies of Merger", *Penn Working Papers in Linguistics*

Anthologized Work:

2006

Beckford Wassink, A. (2006) "Historic Low Prestige and Seeds of Change: Attitudes toward Jamaican Creole," *Language in Society*, 28(1) (1999), Reprinted in *Academic Writing: An Introduction*, Calgary, AB: Broadview Press. To appear, Spring 2006

Editor, Journal Special Issues:

2004

Wassink, A. B. and Curzan, A. (2004, eds.) "African American English: Research Directions and Current Educational Questions (1998-present)," *Journal of English Linguistics*, 129 pp (equally co-edited)

Book Reviews:

Wassink, A.B. (2018) review of Dodsworth, R. and Benton, R. *New Approaches to Class and Network in Sociolinguistics*. London: Routledge.

Wassink, A. B. (2003) review of Meade, R. R. *Acquisition of Jamaican Phonology*, *Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages*, 19(1), pp177-187

Presentations

Invited Talks and Colloquium:

2024

Wassink, A. B. (2024) Yakama English: A Sociolinguist's-Eye-View. Presented before the Yakama Nation Tribal Council, July 2, 2024, Toppenish, WA.

2022

Wassink, A. B. (2022) Bringing real-world data to bear in addressing distribution shifts: a sociolinguistically-informed analysis of ASR errors. Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), Workshop: Distribution Shifts, December 3.

Wassink, A.B. (2022) "Yakama-Mexican Contact and Evolving English in Washington's Yakima Valley". Annual meeting of Studies in the History of English (SHEL-12), May 20.

2021

Wassink, A.B. "Leveraging Sociolinguistic Knowledge to Address Racial Bias in Automatic Speech Recognition," Yale University Department of Linguistics colloquium series, December 6.

Wassink, A.B. "Leveraging Sociolinguistic Knowledge to Address Racial Bias in Automatic Speech Recognition," University of Texas—Austin Department of Linguistics colloquium series, October 10.

Wassink, A.B. "Uneven Success: racial bias in Automatic Speech Recognition," Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day lecture, University of Michigan. January 18.

2020

Wassink, A.B. "Responsible and Ethical Conduct of Research in Linguistics." Online webinar presented as part of the Brown University Leadership Alliance Professional Development series. June 24, 2020.

Wassink, A.B. "Yakima English: phonological innovation or heritage language transfer?" cancelled. Invited talk as part of themed conference entitled, "Laboratory Phonology on the Margins", Laboratory Phonology 17, Vancouver, British Columbia, July 6-8.

2017, Donn F. Bailey invited lecture

Wassink, A.B. "Physiological and Linguistic Influences on the Speech of Rachel Jeantel," National Black Association for Speech-Language and Hearing annual meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, April 6-8.

2017, Colloquium

Wassink, A.B. "The Social Networks of Minority Ethnicity Group Members in Washington State", University of Oregon Department of Linguistics, March 10.

2016

Wassink, A. B. "Reanalysis and Conventionalization of a Universal Phonetic Pattern in WA State English." University of California, Berkeley. 18 April, 2016.

2015, Plenary address

Wassink, A. B. "Dialect Evolution in the Pacific Northwest: reanalysis and conventionalization of a universal phonetic pattern." Invited plenary presented at the 89th Annual meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (Portland)

2014

"Vowel raising in Washington State: What's the *bag* deal?" Invited Colloquium, Stanford University, April

2013

Phonetic Universals, Individual Variation and Linguistic Innovation in the American Pacific Northwest. Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences, October.

2012

Participant, West Coast Dialect Summit, Stanford University, 26 July 2012. Penelope Eckert, organizer.

2009

"An exemplar-based account of the development of sociolinguistic competence in children" U of Washington Colloquium series, 19 February.

2008

"The development of sociolinguistic competence in children." U of Chicago Colloquium series, 4 December.

2007

"A child's-eye view: children's perception and production of phonological variation." Speech and Language Sciences Seminar, Newcastle University Phonetics Research Group, 29 November.

"(Post)Colonial assumptions in linguistic theory: system in Jamaican Creole Phonology", as part of workshop "English in a Global Context: Postcolonial Intersections in Literary and Linguistic Studies," Isabelle Buchstaller and Neelam Srivastava (organizers) 25 November. http://www.ncl.ac.uk/niassh/English_Global/programme.html

2005

"Modeling the tense~lax distinction in three varieties: perspectives on vowel volumes," University of Michigan, Department of Linguistics colloquium series, April.

2002

"The long and short of vowel distribution overlap," University of Washington Linguistics Colloquium, November.

"Language ideology and phonological change," Simon Fraser University Linguistics Colloquium, October.

"The changing indexicality of phonological variants in two language context situations," presented at "A Day in Sociolinguistics," University of the West Indies, May.

"Understanding variation in Jamaican vowel systems," the University of the West Indies, April. Guest lecture for seminar (Lecturer A. Irvine)

"Variability in language production and perception: a cross-linguistic investigation of motherese, hyperspeech, and Lombard Speech," the University of the West Indies, April.

2001

“Taakin braad and talking broad: the changing indexicality of phonological variants in two language contact situations,” Linguistics Colloquium, University of Washington, November.

2000

“Language, Culture and Misinterpreted Linguistic Cues,” University of Washington, Bothell, Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, April; October, 2000 (Diane Gillespie, Instructor)

1999

“Culture and the Context of Colonization: the role of language attitudes in language demise or development,” University of Washington, Language and Rhetoric/Language Use and Acquisition Colloquium series, December.

“Language, Culture and Misinterpreted Linguistic Cues,” University of Washington, Bothell, Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, October.

“Pidgins and Creoles: their sounds and structures,” University of Washington, Seattle, LING 200. July 1999. Talk given again in August, 1999.

1998

“A Tale of Two Tongues: Jamaican English and Jamaican Creole,” Center for the Education of Women, Ann Arbor, Michigan, February.

1997

“An Acoustic Phonetic Analysis of Jamaican Vowels,” University of the West Indies--Mona, Kingston, Jamaica, May.

“Why Do Non-standard Languages Persist?: Covert and overt attitudes toward Jamaican Creole,” University of Washington, Seattle, February.

1996

“Intercultural Communication Competence,” William Tyndale College, Farmington Hills, Michigan. COM 401-1: Cross-cultural communication, September.

1994

“Pidgins, Creoles, and ‘the New Englishes’,”, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, July.

1993-1998

Introductory lecture on Pidgins and Creoles, Linguistics 211, University of Michigan.

Refereed Conference Presentations:

2023

Wassink, A. B., Squizzero, R., Horst, M., Panicacci, A., Bender, E. M. “Preaching to the Choir: What all linguists need to know about defining and operationalizing ethnicity and race in research.” *New Ways of Analyzing Variation* 51 (NWAV), October 15.

2022

Wassink, A.B. and Squizzero, Robert (2022) “Back away from the rest of the west: ethnic minorities’ participation in a Washington English Vowel Pattern” presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Dialect Society, Washington DC. January 9.

2020

Wassink, A.B. (2020) *Uneven Success: Automatic Speech Recognition and Ethnicity-related Dialects*. Presented at the annual meeting American Association for the Advancement of Science, February 14, Seattle. (Panelists: Emily Bender, Rachael Tatman, moderator: Gina-Anne Levow).

2018

Wassink, A. B., Squizzero, R., Fellin, C. and Nichols, D.N. (2018) CLOx: automated transcription for sociolinguistic interviews. Presented at NWAV47, October 18, New York.

2017

Wassink, A. B. (2017) Where Sociolinguistics and Speech Science Meet: The physiological and acoustic consequences of underbite in a multilectal speaker of African-American English, presented at NWAV 46, Nov. 2, Madison WI.

Evans, B. E., Wassink, A. B. and Chartier, N. "Insufficient documentation in contemporary dialectology: the case of Washington State" Presentation at ICHoLS14 August 28-Sept 1, 2017. Paris, France."

2016

Wassink, A. B. "The Social Networks of Minority Ethnicity Group Members in Washington State". Presentation at the New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV45), Victoria, BC.

Wassink, A. B. "Network Connectedness of Japanese-Americans in Metropolitan Seattle". Presentation at the second meeting of the Cascadia Workshop in Sociolinguistics (CWSL 2) April 23-24, Seattle.

2015

Wassink, A. B. "Vowel Raising in Washington State: the cat's out of the B(eg)!" presented as part of the panel "Western Speech." American Dialect Society. January, Portland.

2014

-----"Vowel Raising in Washington State: What's the BAG deal?" Presented at the first meeting of the Cascadia Workshop in Sociolinguistics (CWSL). March 1-2, 2014 (U of Victoria)

Busch, A., Taylor, G., and Wassink, A. B. "Physiological and Linguistic Influences on the speech of Rachel Jeantel", poster presented at the Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Washington, April.

Rickford, J., King, S., Wassink, A. B. "Aspects of the Testimony of Rachel Jeantel." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Dialect Society, 4 Jan. 2014 (Minneapolis)

2013

Wassink, A. B. & Koops, C. K. "Quantifying and Interpreting Vowel Formant Trajectory Information". Invited workshop presentation at NWAV 42, October 17 (Pittsburgh).

Wassink, A.B., & Riebold, J. "Individual Variation and Linguistic Innovation in the American Pacific Northwest", Workshop on the Actuation of Sound Change. University of Chicago Linguistic Society, Chicago IL, April 17-18.

2011

Wassink, A. B. "Vowel Reduction and Merger in the Pacific Northwest", presented at the 61st Annual Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America (Seattle)

2009

Wassink, A.B., Squizzero, R., Schirra, R. and Conn J. "Effects of Style and Gender on Fronting and Raising of /e/, /e:/ and /ae/ before /g/ in Seattle English", presented at NWAV 38, Ottawa, ON Oct. 22-25, 2009

Scanlon, M. and Wassink, A. B. "Using Acoustic Trajectory Information in Studies of Merger", poster at NWAV 38, Ottawa, ON Oct. 22-25, 2009

2008

Scanlon, M. and Wassink, A. B. "Defining Communities from Outside: Social Networks and Dialect Contact in Seattle." Talking across borders: interdisciplinary approaches to historical questions. University of Washington, Department of History. April.

Wassink, A. B. "Growing up with two 'Black Languages': kinship and attitudes toward Jamaican Creole and African-American English", presented at African-American Women's Language conference, University of Texas-San Antonio, March 6-9, 2008 (Sonja Lanehart, organizer)

2007

Scanlon, M. and Wassink, A. B. "Network ties as conduits: contact and diffusion in Seattle," presented at the annual meeting of the Linguistic Society of America. January.

2005

Wassink, A. B. "Finding a network in Seattle: Variability in immigrant phonology and the ubiquity of weak network ties," presented at the 34th annual meeting of New Ways of Analyzing Variation in English, New York, NY, October.

Ingle, J. K., Wright, R. A., & Wassink, A. B. "Pacific Northwest vowels: A Seattle neighborhood dialect study," poster presented at the annual meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Vancouver BC, May.

2004

Franklin, A., Stoel-Gammon, C. & Wassink, A. B. "Quantification of 2-D and 3-D vowel overlap in children 21 to 33 months," poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Speech-Hearing Association, Philadelphia, PA October.

Carmichael, L., Wright, R. W. and Wassink, A. B. "Designing a Corpus of Interspeaker Variability," poster presented at the annual meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, San Diego, CA, October.

Wassink, A. B. and Galvin, L. "Finding a Place in Seattle: dialect contact and change in Irish-English in America," presented at the 33rd annual meeting of New Ways of Analyzing Variation in English, Ann Arbor, MI, September.

2003

Wassink, A. B., Wright, R. A., Galvin, L., M., Franklin, A. D. "Intraspeaker variability in vowel production: an investigation of motherese, hyperspeech, and Lombard speech in Jamaican speakers," presented at the 8th International Congress of the Phonetic Sciences, Barcelona, Spain, August.

Wassink, A. B. "An Analytic Geometric Method for Quantifying Spectral and Temporal Overlap in Vowel Systems," presented at the 25th annual meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Atlanta, GA, January.

Wassink, A. B. "Varieties of English in America: the Creole pieces of the puzzle," presented at the annual meeting of the American Dialect Society, Atlanta, GA, January.

2001

with J. Dyer, "Taakin' Broad and Talking Broad: changing indexicality of phonetic variants in two contact situations," presented at the 9th annual meeting of the Symposium About Language and Society, Austin, TX, April.

2000

"The vowel inventories of Jamaican Speakers," presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Pidgin and Creole Languages, Chicago, January.

1999

Hagiwara, R., Wright, R., Wassink, A., Hargus, S., and Sterling, I. "An interactive Atlas of English vowels: design considerations," poster presented at the Acoustical Society of America, October, 1999.

1998

"Interacting spectral and temporal properties in Jamaican English and Jamaican Creole vowel production," poster presented at the annual meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Seattle, WA, June.

"Characterizing phonetic variation between Jamaican English and Creole vowels," presented at the annual meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, New York, NY, January.

1996

"Guarded Pride: The social complexity and gender-grading of attitudes toward Jamaican Creole," presented at the 25th annual meeting of New Ways of Analyzing Variation, Las Vegas, NV, October.

1995

"My Teacher Says...': Attitudes of Jamaican students toward Jamaican Creole," presented at the 24th annual meeting of New Ways of Analyzing Variation, Philadelphia, PA October. Also presented at the Center for Afro-American and African Studies (CAAS), University of Michigan, October, 1995.

Linguistic Databases & Computer Software

Wassink, A. B. (2019) PNWE Corpus Data Sharing Agreement. SPEECH Across Dialects of English. University of Glasgow.

Wassink, A. B., R. Squizzero, Fellin, C., and Nichols, D.N. (2018) Client Libraries Oxford (CLOx) [computer software]. MAC OSX standalone app ([AppStore release for Mac OS](#))

Wassink, A.B., R. Squizzero, Fellin, C., and Nichols, D.N. (2018) Client Libraries Oxford (CLOx) [computer software]. <https://clox.ling.washington.edu>

English in the Pacific Northwest corpus: (123 GB, 193 hours) audio recordings, including transcriptions. (<http://zeos.ling.washington.edu/~PNWEnglish/>)

Vowel Trajectory Analysis Corpus, (10 MB) Demonstration corpus, with analysis scripts. Prepared for Invited Workshop "Best Practices in Sociophonetics", New Ways of Analyzing English (NWAV 2013) with Christian Koops, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque (<http://faculty.washington.edu/wassink/NWAV2013/>)

Wassink, A. B. (2006) Vowel Overlap Indication Software in 3D (VOIS3D) [computer software]. <http://depts.washington.edu/sociolab/Projects/VOIS3D1.htm>

Public Scholarship/Media Appearances

2024

Interview with Sallyann Price, CoMotion Blog, "The Spark of Intention," <https://comotion.uw.edu/blog/the-spark-of-intention/>.

2022

Interview with Kashmir Hill, Technology Reporter, New York Times

Interview with Sierra Starks, Lifestyle Reporter, Seattle Times

<https://www.seattletimes.com/life/lifestyle/seattles-history-of-black-language-african-american-english-code-switching-and-why-it-matters-today/>

2019

Advertisements PNWE Yakima Herald, Seattle Times

2017

KUOW radio, “Why do some locals say 'Wershington' instead of 'Washington?' - KUOW” interview and blog post, Amy Rolph. March 15, 2017 (kuow.org/post/why-do-some-locals-say-wershington-instead-washington)

2014

KUOW radio, “Do Pacific Northwesterners Have an Accent?” interview on Pacific Northwest English project, Deborah Wang, Dec. 15 (<http://kuow.org/post/do-pacific-northwesterners-have-accent>). Story ranked #1 for all of 2014 on KUOW.

2012

King5 Television, “Is there a Seattle Accent”, <http://www.king5.com/news/local/is-there-a-seattle-accent-145861045.html>, April 2

2011

KPLU radio, “I Wonder Why” interview on Pacific Northwest English project, Bellamy Pailthorpe, Dec. 2

2005

KUOW radio, “Weekday” program—feature on Pacific Northwest English project, host Marcie Silman, May 26

Seattle Post-Intelligencer article, “Got a Northwest dialect? It’s creaky,” Tom Paulson, Friday, May 20—feature on Pacific Northwest dialect project and Acoustical Society poster presented in Vancouver BC

2003

Charles Osgood Show, Sunday January 5—Interviewed at the Linguistic Society of America regarding research in Pidgin and creole linguistics, Dialectology

2001

KBCS radio—feature on the Center for Mind, Brain, and Learning project, Intraspeaker variability in vowel production

2003

Invited Speaker, Program for Early Parent Support (PEPS), Seattle Chapter

1999

Outreach consultant. John Stanford International School, Seattle, Washington

University Committees, Duties and Service

Interdisciplinary Research Groups:

2015 Speech and Hearing Sciences Preceptor

2011-present WIRED (Women Investigating Race, Ethnicity and Diversity) Interdisciplinary faculty research collective, University of Washington

University Service:

2022 Hiring Committee, Assistant Professor in Humanities Data Science

2019 Departmental representative for Linguistics, Departmental Diversity Leaders committee (GDC), Assoc. Dean for Diversity and Student Affairs, UW Graduate School

2010, 2014, 2019 Reviewer, Royalty Research Fund

2008-9 Member, internal review committee. English Department 10-year review.

- 2003 Member, Faculty Search Committee, Computational Linguistics, Department of Linguistics, University of Washington
- 2002-06 Department Liaison, Language Learning Center Technology Support Steering committee, University of Washington. Provide direction for the LLC Technology Support Specialist.
- 2000 Member, Library Focus Group: Future Directions, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Washington. Participant in task force on usefulness of library subscription to electronic journals in the Humanities.

Departmental Service:

- 2000-present Organizer, Sociolinguistics Brown Bag
- 2015-16 Excellence in Research Committee
- 2013-14 Chair, Web Committee
- 2006-14 Co-chair, Diversity Committee
- 2013, 10, 08, 16 Member, Graduate Admissions Committee
- 2012 Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee
- 2011-12 Co-Chair, Resources Committee
- 2010-11 Teaching Assistant Selection Reform Committee
- 2010 Linguistics Department self-study
- 2006-7 Chair, Sociolinguistics faculty search committee
- 2001 Department liaison, Language Learning Center Technical Support Steering Committee
- 1999-06 Presenter, World Languages Day. Presentations offered include: “The History and Structure of African-American English,” “American Dialects”
- 2000-01 Organizer, Abstract writing workshop, Phonetics/Phonology Lab group.
- 1999, 2000 Organizer, Grants and Funding Information Workshop, University of Washington, Department of Linguistics. Developed graduate student funding database
- 2000-present Sociolinguistics Laboratory Director

Professional Awards, Offices, and Service

Professional Offices:

- 2024-present Executive Committee, Linguistic Society of America (extended term)
- 2020 Executive Committee, Linguistic Society of America
- 2019-present Executive Council, American Dialect Society
- 2016-2019 Nominating Committee, Linguistic Society of America
- 2010-2013 Technical Advisory Committee, Linguistic Society of America
- 2013-present Steering committee, Cascadia Workshop in Sociolinguistics (CWSL)
- 2004-2009 Mentoring Program Steering Committee. Committee for Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics (CEDL), Linguistic Society of America

Professional Awards:

- 2022 Arthur & Helen Whiteley Distinguished Fellow, Whiteley Center
Alice and Byron Lockwood Professor in the Humanities

- 2007 Nominee, Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Washington
2001 Faculty Mentor Award, Ronald E. McNair Program, University of Washington

Service to the Field:

- 2014-present Editorial board, *Phonetica*.
2010 Member, Working group to Draft Charter on Language Policy and Language Rights in the Creole Speaking Caribbean, "Creole and International Languages in the Education - Out of school issues"
2005-2008 Advisory Panel for Linguistics, National Science Foundation

Professional Memberships:

Acoustical Society of America
Linguistic Society of America
American Dialect Society
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
American Academy for the Advancement of Science
International Phonetic Association
Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics
Best Practices in Sociophonetics Working Group
National Center for Faculty Diversity & Development
National Black Association for Speech-Language-Hearing
WIRED (Women Investigating, Race, Ethnicity and Diversity) (U of Washington)
Steering Committee, Cascadia Workshop in Sociolinguistics

Reviewer:

Journals: *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, Journal of English Linguistics, Journal of the International Phonetic Association, Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages, Journal of Phonetics, Phonetica, Phonology, Publications of the American Dialect Society, Speech Communication, American Speech, Journal of Sociolinguistics, Language Variation and Change, Language in Society, PNAS*

Conferences: Cascadia Workshop in Sociolinguistics, New Ways of Analyzing Variation in English, Linguistic Society of America, American Dialect Society, International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics, Symposium on the History of the English Language, Western Conference on Linguistics

Grant Agencies: National Science Foundation, UW Royalty Research Fund

Conference and Workshop Organizer:

- 2016** Cascadia Workshop in Sociolinguistics (CWSL2), University of Washington
2014 Steering committee, Cascadia Workshop in Sociolinguistics (CWSL1), University of Victoria, BC
2003, 2005 Breath of Life Workshop, University of Washington. (Co-Organizer with Alice Taff, University of Alaska, Fairbanks) Week-long series of sessions aimed to

assist individuals, educators and linguistics professionals access the holdings of the University of Washington Libraries relevant to projects on revitalization of Native American languages.

- 2004** Language/culture/power colloquium series, University of Washington. \$6,500. Co-Organizer with Laada Bilaniuk, Department of Anthropology. Quarter-long series of talks bringing speakers from both within and outside UW to talk on current research into issues of language, culture and identity politics. Funded by the Arts and Sciences Exchange Program and the Simpson Center

Courses Taught

University of Washington

Undergraduate/Graduate:

Advanced Sociolinguistics, LING 535
Advanced Linguistic Phonetics, LING 554
Bantu Base Afrika: Study Abroad, Multilingualism and Language Policy in South Africa (Durban, Johannesburg and Zululand), LING 234/490
Best Practices in Sociophonetics, LING 554
Introduction to Linguistic Phonetics, LING 450
Introduction to Linguistic Thought, LING 200
Language and Diversity, LING 234
Pidgin and Creole Languages, LING 430
R for Linguists, LING421
Sociolinguistics I, LING 432/532 ANTH 464
Sociolinguistics II, LING 433/533
Social Network Theory, LING 534

Graduate Seminars:

Social Network Theory
Phonetic Distance and Dynamics
Dialect Contact
Communities of Practice
Language and Identity
Computational Methods in Linguistics
Age-related Linguistic Change during the Lifespan
Communication Accommodation Theory
Just-noticeable Differences Superseminar

Independent Studies:

Social Network Analysis in Sociolinguistics
Bilingualism
Topics in Sociolinguistics
Sociolinguistic Fieldwork (LING499)

