

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### **EDUCATION**

- 1974-79 University of Massachusetts in Amherst, Department of Linguistics. Ph.D., September, 1979. Committee: Edwin Williams (C), Emmon Bach, Alan Prince.
- 1967-70 University of Colorado and Colorado State University. Graduate studies in structural linguistics with an emphasis on phonology and anthropological linguistics.
- 1959-60 Stanford University, Department of English. M.A., June, 1960.
- 1955-59 Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Major in English literature, minor in French. B.A., *magna cum laude*, June, 1959.

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2000-present University Professor, Old Dominion University.
- 1998-present Graduate Program Director, Linguistics, Department of English, Old Dominion University.
- 1996-2000 Professor, Department of English, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia
- 1988-95 Associate Professor, Department of English, Old Dominion University
- 1995-97 Linguistics/TESOL Coordinator, Department of English
- 1994 Visiting Associate Professor, Kitakyushu University, Kitakyushu, Japan, Summer
- 1991-94 Director of Graduate Programs, Department of English, Old Dominion University
- 1982-88 Assistant Professor, Department of English, Old Dominion University
- 1981-82 Assistant Professor, Department of Linguistics, University of Minnesota

- 1980-81 Textbook Writer, Berlitz International. Wrote self-study texts, including pronunciation courses for French, German, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish, and English as a second language.
- 1979-80 Instructor in linguistics, University of New Hampshire (sabbatical replacement)
- 1979 Director, English Language Program for Indonesian M.A. Candidates, Center for International Education, University of Massachusetts
- 1974-78 Teaching associate, University of Massachusetts (syntax and phonetics); research assistant, NIH Project, Complex Language Structure Acquisition by Children, teaching assistant in rhetoric.
- 1970-74 Associate Director and Acting Director, Master of Arts in Teaching Program, School for International Training, Brattleboro, Vermont.
- 1968 Coordinator of TEFL training, Peace Corps Training Project for Afghanistan, Ft. Lupton, Colorado
- 1966-67 English teacher, McKinley High School, Washington, D.C.
- 1966 Teacher trainer, Peace Corps Training Project, University of Texas in Austin and Kabul, Afghanistan
- 1966 Demonstration teacher and instructor in methodology, post-graduate seminar for Syrian teachers of English, Damascus, Syria, Summer, 1966
- 1966 Instructor of English as a foreign language, Kabul University, Kabul, Afghanistan, Spring 1966
- 1962-65 Teacher of English as a foreign language, Peace Corps, Afghanistan
- 1960-62 English teacher, Palo Alto High School, Palo Alto, California

## **BOOKS**

- 1996 Victoria L. Bergvall, Janet M. Bing and Alice F. Freed, (eds). *Rethinking Language and Gender Research: Theory and Practice*, Longman, New York and London.
- 1989 *GrammarGuide: English Grammar in Context*. Prentice-Hall Regents, New York.
- 1985 *Aspects of English Prosody*. Garland Press, New York (Outstanding Dissertations in Linguistics).
- 1967 Rosalind Pearson and Janet Bing. *Cross-Cultural Studies Manual for Afghanistan Training*

*Programs and Discussion Leader's Manual for Cross-Cultural Studies Training: Afghanistan.* Peace Corps, Washington, D.C.

**ARTICLES**

- (in press) Janet Bing and Joanne Scheibman Feminist Humor as Thought Experiment: Blended Spaces as Subversive Humor, Delia Chiaro and Raffaella Baccolini (Eds.) *Gender and Humor, Humor and Gender*, Chapter 7. Berlin: Mouton De Gruyter.
- 2008 Cynthia Berrman-Fink, Janet Bing, Deborah Cameron, Amy Sheldon, Anita Taylor and Patricia Sotirin. Blogging About Feminist Interdisciplinarity in the Study of Communication, Language , and Gender. *Women and Language*, vol.31,No 2, pp. 26-35.
- 2008 Janet Bing and Charles Ruhl. It's All My Fault! The Pragmatics of Responsibility Statements, *Journal of Pragmatics*. 40/3: 537-558
- 2007 Liberated Jokes: Sexual Humor in All-female Groups. *Humor: International Journal of Humor Research*, 20:4, 337-366.
- 2004 Is Feminist Humor an Oxymoron? *Women and Language*, XXVII, 1: 24-35.
- 2004 Lesbian Jokes: A Reply to Christie Davies. *Humor: International Journal of Humor Research*, Vol. 17-3: 323-328.
- 2003 Janet Bing and Dana Heller. How Many Lesbians Does it Take to Screw in a Light Bulb? *Humor: International Journal of Humor Research*, Vol. 16-2:157-182.
- 2000 Why are Those Women so Angry? Luisa Igloria and Renee Olander (eds.) *Turnings: Writing on Women's Transformations*, pp. 79-82
- 2000 How to describe another culture: Developing a cultural frame, *Democracy and Development: The Transformation of Conflict in Nicaragua*, pp. 1-19.
- 1999 Brain sex: How the Media Reports and Distorts Brain Research. *Women and Language*, XXII: 2, pp. 4-12.
- 1999 Anita Taylor, *et al.* Forum: What are the Responsibilities of Feminist Academic Publishers? *Women & Language*, pp. 4-23.
- 1998 Janet Bing and William Woodward, Nobody's Listening: A Frame Analysis of the Ebonics Debate, *SECOL Review*, Vol. XXII, 1:pp.1-20.
- 1998 Revised version of Janet Bing and Victoria Bergvall. The Question of Questions: Beyond Binary Thinking, *Language and Gender*, ed. Jennifer Coates. Oxford: Blackwell. pp. 495-510.

- 1997 Janet Bing and Lucien X. Lombardo. Talking Past Each Other about Sexual Harassment. *Discourse and Society*, 8 (3) pp. 293-311.
- 1996 Janet Bing and Victoria Bergvall. The Question of Questions: Beyond Binary Thinking. In *Rethinking Language and Gender Research: Theory and Practice*, pp. 1-30.
- 1996 Discovering Hidden Values: A Frame Analysis of Teaching Evaluations. *Gender And Belief Systems* ed. Natasha Warner *et al.* Berkeley, CA: Berkeley Woman and Language Group , pp. 51-60.
- 1994 Killing Us Softly: Ambiguous Markers of Power and Solidarity. *Cultural Performances*. Mary Bucholtz, et al.(eds). Berkeley, CA: Berkeley Women and Language Group, pp. 44-49.
- 1993 Janet Bing and John Duitsman. Postpositions and the Valency Marker in Krahn: Monosemy Versus Polysemy. *Journal of West African Languages*. 23 (1) pp. 91-104.
- 1993 Names and Honorific Pronouns in Gborbo Krahn, *Topics in African Linguistics* ed. by Saliko Mufwene and Lioba Moshi, Current Issues in Linguistic Theory, 100, Amsterdam: John Benjamins, pp. 119-130.
- 1993 Default Features in Contour Tones: Evidence from Krahn/Wobe, *Principles and Prediction: The Analysis of Natural Language* ed. by Mushira Eid and Gregory Iverson, Current Issues in Linguistic Theory, 98, John Benjamins, pp. 327-338.
- 1992 The Episode in Narration: The Interaction of Prosody and Discourse Markers. *Proceedings of the IRCS Workshop on Prosody in Natural Speech*. The Institute for Research in Cognitive Science Report No.92--37, pp. 1-8.
- 1992 Penguins Can't Fly and Women Don't Count: Language and Thought. *Women and Language* Vol. XIV, No. 2, pp. 11-14.
- 1991 Color Terms and Lexical Classes in Krahn/Wobe. *Studies in African Linguistics*. Vol 22, Number 3, December 1991, pp. 1-20.
- 1990 Real World Phonology, *The Georgetown Journal of Languages and Linguistics*, 1,2,: 145-150.
- 1987 Phonologically Conditioned Agreement: Evidence from Krahn, in David Odden (ed.) *Current Approaches to African Linguistics*. Foris, Dordrecht, The Netherlands.

- 1986 Intonation and the interpretation of negatives. *Kaigai on Ronso (Collected Articles from Abroad on English Linguistics)*. Ed. Yasui Minoru. Tokyo: Eichosha Shinsha, 1986. Reprinted from *Proceedings of the Tenth Annual Meeting of the North Eastern Linguistics Society*.
- 1984 A Discourse Domain Identified by Intonation, in Gibbon and Richter (eds.), *Pattern and Process in Discourse Phonology*. Walter de Gruyter, Berlin.
- 1983 Contrastive Stress, Contrastive Intonation and Contrastive Meaning, *Syntax and Semantics*, June, 1983.
- 1981 Co-author with Tom Roeper, Steve Lapoint and Susan Tavakolian, A Lexical Approach to Language Acquisition, *Language Acquisition and Linguistic Theory*, ed. by Susan Tavakolian. M.I.T. Press.
- 1980 Linguistic Rhythm and Grammatical Structure in Afghan Persian, *Linguistic Inquiry* IX, 3.
- 1980 The Given/New Distinction and the Unmarked Stress Pattern, *North Eastern Linguistics Society Proceedings*, XI, ed. by V. Burke and J. Pustejovsky. University of Massachusetts, Amherst.
- 1979 A Reanalysis of Obligatory Comma Pause in English, *University of Massachusetts Occasional Papers in Linguistics*, Vol. 5, ed. by Jean Lowenstamm.
- 1979 Up the Noun Phrase: Another Stress Rule. In *Papers Presented to Emmon Bach by his Students*, ed. by Elisabet Engdal and Mark Stein.
- 1979 Intonation and the Interpretation of Negatives, *North Eastern Linguistics Society Proceedings*, X, University of Ottawa.
- 1979 One Man's Best is Another Man's Tone: Sentence Stress Reanalyzed, *Parasession on the Elements*, Chicago Linguistics Society.
- 1978 A Predictable Alternation Between Intonation Contours, *Cunyforum Papers in Linguistics*, 5, ed. by Ed Battistella.
- 1978 The Rhythm Rule in Dari: An Argument for Metrical Stress. *U/Mass Occasional Papers in Linguistics*, Vol. III, ed. Richard Saenz. 11-34.
- 1967 Co-author with Rosalind Pearson. *Cross-Cultural Studies Manual for Afghanistan Training Programs and Teacher's Guide*, Peace Corps, Washington, D.C.

## REVIEWS

1999 *Intonational Phonology* by D. Robert Ladd. *Journal of Linguistics* 35: 167-222.

1997 *English Sound Structure* by John Harris. *Language* 78, 1 (March 1997) pp. 162-165.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2007 Module 1: Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communications; Module 2: Home Culture Orientation. *Interpersonal Dynamics in Cross Cultural Communication*. Prepared for the Navy Expeditionary Combat Command. Module 1, pp. 1-41. Module 2, pp. 1-26.

## PAPERS PRESENTED AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2011 Janet Bing and Robin Ormiston. Gotcha! Male and Female Pranksters with a Message. . International Society for Humor Studies, Boston, MA, July 7.
- 2009 Janet Bing and Joanne Scheibman, Feminist Humor as *Thought Experiment*: Blended Spaces as Subversive Humor. International Society for Humor Studies, Long Beach, CA, June 18.
- 2008 Janet Bing and Joanne Scheibman, Blended Spaces as Subversive Humor, South East Women's Studies Association Conference, Charlotte, N.C. April 4.
- 2007 Blended Spaces and Improbable Worlds as Subversive Humor. International Society for Humor Studies, Newport, Rhode Island, June 29, 2007.
- 2005 Janet Bing and Charles Ruhl. "It's All My Fault! The Pragmatics of Responsibility Statements" South Eastern Conference on Linguistics. April 8. Raleigh, NC.
- 2004 Sex and Gender in Jokes. Sixteenth International Society of Humor Studies Conference, July 15, Lyon, France
- 2002 Janet Bing and Dana Heller. How Many Lesbians Does it Take to Screw in a Light Bulb. Fourteenth International Society of Humor Studies Conference, July 5, Forli, Italy.
- 2002 How Many Lesbians Does it Take to Screw in a Light Bulb? with Dana Heller. Work in Progress XII, May 4, Norfolk, VA.
- 2001 Solidarity as Subversion: Inclusive and Exclusive Jokes. 2001 International Humor Conference of the International Society of Humor Studies, University of Maryland, July 7.
- 2000 The Rewards and Pitfalls of Crossing Boundaries. Association for Integrative Studies, Portland Oregon, October 6, Portland, Oregon.
- 2000 Teaching Stress and Intonation. VATESOL Regional Workshop, Virginia Wesleyan College, Sept. 16, 2000.
- 2000 The Power of Informal Language. Work in Progress IX. Williamsburg, VA, April 24.

- 2000 A Framework for Exploring Other Cultures, 21<sup>st</sup> VESA Conference, Williamsburg, VA, January. 29.
- 1999 Brain sex: How the Media Reports and Distorts Brain Research. Conference on: Talking Gender and Sexuality, Aalborg, Denmark, November 4.
- 1999 Communicating Across Gender, Virginia Education Association, July 13, 1999, Mountain Lake, Virginia.
- 1999 Gendered Jokes: Humor as a Subversive Activity, International Linguistic Association, New York City, April 16.
- 1998 Language, Gender and Power, Virginia Education Association, July 16, 1998, Mountain Lake, Virginia.
- 1998 Humor as a Subversive Activity: Undermining Gender Polarization, Work in Progress VIII, May 16, Norfolk, VA.
- 1998 International Communication: Costs, Benefits and Strategies. Plenary address, International Education on a Shoestring Conference, VA, April 23, Norfolk, VA
- 1997 Janet Bing and William Woodward, Nobody's Listening: A Frame analysis of the Ebonics Debate, SAMLA/SECOL, Nov. 13, Atlanta, GA.
- 1997 Janet Bing and Wayne Harrison, Workshop on Cross-cultural Communication, Virginia TESOL Conference, Christopher Newport University, Oct. 4.
- 1997 Patriarchal messages: Male bias and metaphors in linguistic notation. Work in Progress VII, June 7, Old Dominion University.
- 1997 Are teacher education programs **really** preparing teachers for what employers want? Virginia VESA Conference, Feb. 28, Richmond, VA
- 1996 Janet Bing and Geneva Lawrence, "The Sonority of Coronals: the Role of Frequency in Sonority Sequencing. South Eastern Conference on Linguistics, Savannah, GA, Nov. 9, 1996.
- 1996 Sex and the Brain. Faculty Research Workshop, Old Dominion University, 24, 1996
- 1996 Gender Polarization in Brain and Language Research. Work in Progress VI, June 1, Old Dominion University.



- 1996 Discovering Hidden Values: A Frame Analysis of Teaching Evaluations. The Fourth Berkeley Women and Language Conference: Gender and Belief Systems. April 19, 1996, Berkeley, CA.
- 1996 Janet Bing and Victoria Bergvall. "The question of questions: Beyond essentialism and binary thinking in research on language, sex, and gender" American Association of Applied Linguistics. Chicago, March 5, 1996.
- 1995 Janet Bing and Lucien X. Lombardo. Talking Past Each Other about Sexual Harassment. Linguistic Society of America, New Orleans, LA, Jan. 6, 1995.
- 1994 Killing Us Softly: Ambiguous Markers of Power and Intimacy. South Eastern Conference on Linguistics, Baltimore, Md., Nov. 12, 1994.
- 1994 Friendly Deception: Status and Solidarity. Berkeley Women and Language Conference, Berkeley, CA, April 10, 1994.
- 1994 Identifying the Boundaries of Prosodic Units in Narration. Linguistics Society of America, Boston, MA, Jan. 7, 1994.
- 1993 The Episode and Stage in Narration: Prosody and Discourse. South Eastern Conference on Linguistics, Auburn U., April 1993.
- 1993 Redefining Teaching: Evaluating the Evaluators. Workshop on Feminist Pedagogy, Ohio State University, August 1993 and Work in Progress Conference, Old Dominion University, May 1993
- 1992 The Role of the Planned Unit in Natural Discourse, Workshop on Prosody in Natural Speech, University of Pennsylvania, August 7, 1992
- 1991 The Limits of Tone Languages: Tones and Contours in Krahn/Wobe, Southeastern Conference on Linguistics, Atlanta, Georgia, November 16, 1991 and 17th Annual Minnesota Conference on Language and Linguistics, Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 24, 1991.
- 1991 Language, Gender and Culture. Work in Progress Conference, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA, May 18, 1991.
- 1991 Basic Color Terms in Krahn/Wobe. South Eastern Conference on Linguistics, Knoxville, TN, April 5, 1991.
- 1990 Status Markers in English. Kitakyushu University, Kitakyushu, Japan, June 16.
- 1990 Current Developments in the Study of Prosody. Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan, June 18.

- 1990 Problems in the Representation of Contour Tones in Krahn/Wobe. Spring Linguistics Colloquium, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, March 23.
- 1990 Names and Honorific Pronouns in Gborbo Krahn. South Eastern Conference on Linguistics, Greenwood, South Carolina, March 30.
- 1990 Contour Tones in Krahn/Wobe. 21st Annual Conference on African Linguistics, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, April 14.
- 1988 Real World Phonology. Southern Association of Modern Language Teachers, November 11, Washington, D.C.
- 1987 Old Information in Answers to Questions. Fourth International Colloquium on the Interdisciplinary Study of Semantics of Natural Language. Fourth Cleves Colloquium, West Germany, September 1-3.
- 1986 Multi-purpose Morphemes in Gborbo. 17th Conference on African Linguistics, University of Indiana, Bloomington, March 23-25.
- 1986 Focus in English: Mountains and Valleys. Southeastern Conference on Linguistics XXXVI, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. March 1987.
- 1985 Phonology in Syntax Revisited: Evidence from Krahn. 16th Conference on African Linguistics. New Haven, Conn. March 21-23.
- 1984 Merging on Success: The Current State of Studies in Intonation. South Eastern Conference on Linguistics. Durham, North Carolina, March 23-24.
- 1983 Contrastive Stress, Contrastive Intonation, and Contrastive Meaning. Conference on Prosody, Normal and Abnormal. Zurich, Switzerland, April 8-9.
- 1982 Phrasal Verbs in English. Minnesota TESOL Convention. Minneapolis, Minnesota, March.
- 1980 Identifying the Possible Intonation Contours in English. Linguistic Society of America winter meeting. San Antonio, Texas.
- 1980 The Given/New Distinction and the Unmarked Stress Pattern. North Eastern Linguistics Society, XI. University of Massachusetts.
- 1979 A Discourse Domain Identified by Intonation Contours. Linguistic Society of America winter meeting. Los Angeles, California.

- 1979 Intonation and the Interpretation of Negatives. North Eastern Linguistics Society, X. University of Ottawa, Canada.
- 1979 One Man's Best is Another Man's Tone: Sentence Stress Reanalyzed. Chicago Linguistics Society.
- 1978 A Predictable Alternative Between Intonation Contours. North Eastern Linguistics Society, IX. City University of New York, New York.

## **GRANTS, AWARDS**

- 2010 University Women's Caucus Recognition Award
- 2008 Nominee for the Joel S. Lewis Faculty Award for Excellence in Student Mentoring Award.
- 2007 University Finalist, State Council of Higher Education Virginia Outstanding Faculty Awards Program (\$500).
- 2007 Course developer and instructor, Cultural Awareness Curriculum Development Project, the Naval Expeditionary Combat Command (\$13,500.00)
- 2004 Senior Scholar Lecture, College of Arts and Letters (\$1500)
- 2000 University Professor status awarded for excellence in teaching (\$2500 annually for four years).
- 1998 College of Arts and Letter TABI award for course development. (\$500.)
- 1996 College of Arts and Letters nominee for SCHEV award for excellence in teaching.
- 1995 Robert L. Stern Award for excellence in teaching, College of Arts and Letters.
- 1995 College of Arts and Letters nominee for Old Dominion University Instructional Technology Teaching Award.
- 1995 Old Dominion University Arts and Letters Award "Language and Gender Research: Theory and Method" \$695.00.
- 1993 Old Dominion University Arts and Letters Award "Prosodic Units in Narration," (\$933.80).
- 1988 Social Science Research Fellowship for "A Study of the Sound System of Gborbo" (Dialect of Krahn, spoken in Liberia) \$10,000.

- 1987 Old Dominion University Arts and Letters Type B Award in Support of Writing Grant Proposals. \$1,500.
- 1985 Summer Faculty Research Fellowship "English Stress and Intonation: The Disparity Between Theory and Evidence." \$2,700.
- 1959 Loomis scholarship (Stanford University)
- 1958 Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi (Coe College)

## **OFFICES, SERVICE, FACULTY DEVELOPMENT**

- 2007 Editorial Review Board *Scientific Journals International*
- 2006 External reviewer, Department of English and Applied Linguistics, University of Guam
- 2005 President, ODU Women's Caucus.
- 2004 External reviewer, Program in Linguistics, University of Kentucky
- 2002 Acting University Cluster Coordinator, Old Dominion University
- 2000-4 Volunteer, "Ask-a-Linguist" for The Linguist List
- 2001-4 President, Worldwide Educational Resources, Inc., a non-profit organization to benefit education in developing countries.
- 2000 Title VI-A Grant by U.S. Department of Education funded faculty development trip to Thailand, Cambodia, and Vietnam, May 7-May 24.
- 1999 Fulbright funded faculty development trip to Nicaragua, May 30-June 26.
- 1999-present. Editorial Board, *SECOL Review* (now) *Southern Journal of Linguistics*
- 1999-present Editorial Board, *Women and Language* and occasional reviewer for: *Language*, *Language and Speech*, *Language and Society*, *Phonology*, National Science Foundation. LSA annual meeting (language and gender, phonology).
- 1999 Participant in NEH funded institute La Francophonie in West Africa.
- 1997 Funded faculty exchange trip to Brazil.
- 1994-95 Chair, Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics, Linguistics Society of America.
- 1993-94 Associate Chair, Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics, Linguistics Society of America.
- 1993 Conference Co-organizer: The Language Gender Interface: Theories & Methods for Research & Teaching.
- 1992-3 COSWL Committee member, Linguistic Society of America (Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics) Member, Sexual Harassment Committee for LSA.
- 1992-3 President SOVATESOL (Southern Virginia TESOL)

1990 Funded ODU/TCC faculty development trip to People's Republic of China and Japan, Summer 1990.

1991 President, Southern Virginia TESOL

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

ENGL 705/805 Rhetoric across Cultures  
ENGL 670 Methods and Materials in TESOL  
ENGL 671 Phonology  
ENGL 675 Practicum  
ENGL 674 Internship  
ENGL 677 Language and Communication Across Cultures  
ENGL 672 Syntax  
ENGL 371W Communication Across Cultures  
ENGL 350 Aspects of the English Language  
ENGL 477/577 Language, Gender, and Power  
ENGL 226s Language and Society  
ENGL 370 English Linguistics

### **COMMITTEE SERVICE**

University

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President's Advisory Committee on Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action  
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Applied Sociology Review Committee  
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Tenure and promotion  
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Computer committee  
Graduate committee  
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