



Department of Psychological Sciences
Division of Perception, Action, and Cognition

PHD IN LANGUAGE AND COGNITION

The Language and Cognition program in the Department of Psychological Sciences is recruiting diverse and creative scholars to join our PHD program in Fall 2022.

We have a strong track-record of interdisciplinary research spanning from theory and computational modeling to empirical cognitive and neuroscience approaches. Research in our program examines a number of major themes, including neurobiological mechanisms in speech perception, reading, sentence processing, semantic memory and concept formation, event cognition, individual differences, and dynamical systems approaches to language and cognition, in typical and atypical populations.

We have strong collaborative links to researchers outside of UConn as well as our colleagues at UConn including those in Linguistics, Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences, Educational Psychology, Philosophy, Engineering, and Medicine. We are affiliated with UConn's Cognitive Science program, the CT Institute for the Brain and Cognitive Sciences (IBACS), and Haskins Laboratories.

Facilities include state-of-the-art MRI, high-density EEG, eye-tracking, TMS, and other neuromodulation techniques at UConn's Brain Imaging Research Center and IBACS, as well as access to computing clusters, lab space, and a dynamic program of colloquia, internal talk series, and interest groups.

UConn graduate students are unionized and funding includes health insurance. To apply, contact a potential faculty advisor, explore [UConn](https://uconn.edu), and complete the application procedure by December 1, 2021.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

Our faculty and program are actively committed to supporting DEI in our local and global communities. We welcome all people to apply, and we particularly seek applicants who have been underserved by current societal norms including members of the BIPOC community, LGBTQIA+ community, people with disabilities, first-generation college students, and individuals from low-income backgrounds.

TRAINING GRANTS

Our faculty are core members of training grants from the NIH, the NSF, and the Department of Education. These grants provide many opportunities for trainees, including stipend support and funding for conference travel, professional development, and research.

CURRICULUM

Our program provides broad training in foundations of language and cognition while simultaneously supporting individualized training goals including expertise in cognitive neuroscience, computational modeling, science communication, and teaching excellence.

COMMUNITY

Our trainees are part of a vibrant, interdisciplinary community, exploring ideas and practices to creatively expand science and also to creatively change the status quo with regard to diversity, equity, and inclusion. There is a strong emphasis on students taking the lead and a strong spirit of community involvement.

CAREER PATHS

Our graduates pursue careers in academia and industry, and are successful in securing employment upon graduation including postdoctoral fellowships, faculty positions, and positions at data analysis and cognitive science oriented companies.