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EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Higher Education

- 2013 **PhD**, Linguistics, University of Texas at Austin
Thesis: The French c'est-cleft: An empirical investigation of its meaning and use
- 2005 **MA**, English literature and civilization, *summa cum laude*, Université Toulouse Le Mirail
Supporting Areas / Minor: Linguistics
- 2002 **BA**, English literature and civilization, Université Toulouse Le Mirail

Professional and Academic Positions

- 2020 - Present **Director of Undergraduate Studies**, Linguistics, University of Iowa
2020 - Present **Associate Professor**, French and Italian, University of Iowa
2013 – 2020 **Assistant Professor**, French and Italian, University of Iowa
2013 - Present **Supervisor French 1st and 2nd year program**, French and Italian, University of Iowa
2012 - 2013 **Lecturer**, French and Italian, St Edwards University

Honors and Awards

- 2021 Nominated for 6th annual **Student Supervisor of the Year Award**, University of Iowa
2013 **Texas Language Center Professional Development Award**, University of Texas at Austin
2011 - 2012 **Professional Development Award**, University of Texas at Austin
2011 **COERLL Graduate Student Award**, University of Texas at Austin
2010 **Texas Exes Teaching Excellence Award**, University of Texas at Austin
2009 **Professional Development Award**, University of Texas at Austin

TEACHING

Courses Taught at the University of Iowa

Term	Course#	Title	Enrollment
Spring 2021	FREN:4007:0002	Topics in French Linguistics	17
Spring 2021	LING:6900:1999	Master's Thesis	1
Spring 2021	LING:7100:2820	Special Projects	1
Fall 2020	LING:3001:0001	Introduction to Linguistics	89
Fall 2020	LING:5090:1059	Special Projects	1
Fall 2020	LING:6900:0468	Master's Thesis	1
Spring 2020	LING:6900:7607	Master's Thesis	1
Spring 2020	FREN:4007:0002	Topics in French Linguistics	20
Fall 2019	FREN:3007:0001	French Phonetics	20
Spring 2019	FREN:4995:3677	Honors Research and Thesis	1
Spring 2019	LING:4070:0001	Introduction to the Study of Meaning	14
Spring 2019	LING:5090:4553	Special Projects	1
Summer 2018	SLA:7030:1182	Ph.D. Thesis	2
Spring 2018	SLA:7030:8938	Ph.D. Thesis	2

Fall 2017	SLA:7030:7123	Ph.D. Thesis	2
Fall 2017	FREN:5031:0001	Topics in French Linguistics	9
Summer 2017	SLA:7030:6074	Ph.D. Thesis	2
Spring 2017	FREN:3007:0001	French Phonetics	23
Spring 2017	SLA:7030:4073	Ph.D. Thesis	2
Fall 2016	FREN:3300:2	French Grammar	12
Fall 2016	LING:4070:1	Introduction to Pragmatics	15
Fall 2016	SLA:7030:2725	PhD Thesis	1
Fall 2016	SLA:7020:2670	Readings in Second Language Acquisition	1
Summer 2016	SLA:7020:2416	Readings in Second Language Acquisition	1
Spring 2016	FREN:3190:0001	Psycholinguistic Aspects of Bilingualism	21
Fall 2015	WLLC:5000:0001	Teaching and Learning Languages	11
Summer 2015	SLA:7020:0053	Readings in Second Language Acquisition	1
Spring 2015	FREN:2007:0001	French Phonetics	9
Fall 2014	FREN:1010:0001	First-Year French Review	19
Fall 2014	SLA:6901:0001	Second Lg Acquisition Research/Theory I	3
Spring 2014	009:106:001	Oral Expression in French II	10
Fall 2013	009:010:002	First-Year French Review	15

SCHOLARSHIP

Publications

CLAS * System * = Senior Author, Major Contribution, ** = Secondary Contribution *** = Equal Contribution, **** = Minor Contribution

Refereed Articles

1. Destruel, E. (under review). Processing pragmatic inferences in L2 French speakers.
2. * Destruel, E., & Donaldson, B. (accepted pending minor revisions). The L2 acquisition of French interrogatives: Pragmatic inferences in clefted wh-questions. *Languages*.
3. *** Leal, T., Destruel, E., & Hoot, B. (2020). Object focus in Spanish: An investigation using three tasks. *Glossa: A journal of general linguistics*, 5(1), 70. DOI: <http://doi.org/10.5334/gjgl.1160>
4. *** Destruel, E., & Féry, C. (2020). Prominence in French dual focus. *Language and Speech*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0023830919892024>
5. * Destruel, E., Beaver, D., & Coppock, E. (2019). It's not what you expected! The surprising nature of cleft alternatives in French and English. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 10, Article 1400. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2019.01400>
6. *** Destruel, E. & DeVaugh-Geiss, J. (2019). (Non-)exhaustivity in French *c'est*-clefts. In C. Piñon (ed.) *Empirical Studies in Syntax and Semantics*, 12, 91-120.
7. *** Destruel, E. & DeVaugh-Geiss, J. (2018). On the interpretation and processing of exhaustivity: Evidence of variation in English & French clefts. *Journal of Pragmatics*, 138, 1-16.
8. *** Leal, T., Destruel, E., & Hoot, B. (2018). Focus marking strategies in L2 learners of Spanish. *Second Language Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0267658318784343>
9. *** Leal, T., Destruel, E., & Hoot, B. (2018). The Realization of Information Focus in Monolingual and Bilingual Native Spanish Speakers. *Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism*, 8(2), 217-251.
10. Destruel, E. (2017). The pragmatics of (Non-)prototypical French clefts: Influence of the type of question on naturalness and interpretation. *Journal of Pragmatics*, 121, 58-75.
11. *Destruel, E., & Donaldson, B. (2017). On the L2 acquisition of pragmatic inferences: Evidence from the French *c'est*-cleft. *Applied Psycholinguistics*, 38(3), 703-732.

12. Destrue, E. (2016). Focus marking asymmetries in Colloquial and Standard French: A stochastic optimality-theoretic account. *Journal of French Language Studies*, 26(3), 299-326.
13. *Destrue, E., & Velleman, L. (2014). Refining contrastiveness: Empirical evidence from the English it-cleft. In C. Piñon (ed.) *Empirical Issues in Syntax and Semantics* 10, 197-214.

Non-refereed Articles

1. *Destrue, E., & C., Rose (2014) Using movie trailers in beginner French classes. In *Texas Language Center Newsletter*.
2. Destrue, E. (2014) An empirical approach to the pragmatics of the (non)-canonical French sentences. *Proceedings from the 46th Chicago Linguistics Society Conference*, Chicago, USA.

Refereed Book Chapters

1. ** Walker-Cecil, K. & Destrue, E. Focus interpretation in Haitian Creole. (2021). In *East and West of The Pentacrest: Linguistic Studies in Honor of Paula Kempchinsky*, T. Gupton & E. Gielau (Eds.). John Benjamins Publishing Company (pp.17-40).
2. *** Destrue, E., Velleman, D., Onea, E., Bumford, D., Beaver, D. (2015). A cross-linguistic study of the non-at-issueness of exhaustive inferences. F. Schwarz (Ed.), *Experimental Perspectives on Presuppositions* (pp. 135-156). Studies in Theoretical Psycholinguistics Series, Springer.

Book Reviews

1. Destrue, E. (2021) Book review of Laure Anne Johnsen, *La sous-détermination référentielle et les désignateurs vagues en français contemporain*, Peter Lang. *The French Review* 94(4).
2. Destrue, E. (2020) Book review of Fabrice Marsac & Jean-Christophe Pellat, *Le participe retrouvé: Grand corpus étiqueté sur le participe passé*, L'Harmattan, *The French Review* 93(3).
3. Destrue, E. (2017) Book review of Estelle Moline & Dejan Stosic, *L'expression de la manière en français*, Ophrys. *The French Review* 91(2).
4. Rose, C., & E. Destrue (2015) Book review of Kate Paesani, Helen Willis Allen & Béatrice Dupuy, *A Multiliteracies Framework for Collegiate Foreign Language Teaching*, Pearson. *The Modern Language Journal* 99(4), 803-805.
5. Destrue, E., & A. Shaeffer (2015) Book review of Sandrine Zufferey, *Acquiring Pragmatics: Social and Cognitive Perspectives*. New York: Routledge. *The Modern Language Journal* 99(4), 807-809.
6. Destrue, E. (2015) Book review of Adriana Costăchescu, *La Pragmatique Linguistique*, Lincom. *The French Review* 88(4), 237-238.
7. Destrue, E., & D. Beaver (2013) Book review of Manfred Krifka & Renate Musan (eds.), *The Expression of Cognitive Categories [ECC] 5, The Expression of Information Structure*, De Gruyter. *Language* 89 (3), 647-653.

Publications In Progress

Journal Articles

- 2021 *Scalar diversity in L2 French.*
- 2021 *Understanding the definiteness effect in L2 French speakers.*
- 2021 *The pragmatics of embedded questions.*

Grants and Contracts

Declined

- Jan 2015 - Dec 2015 *Processing exhaustive inferences in cleft sentences (NSF grant proposal) 1525265*
Investigator/s Emilie Destrue (Co-Principal), Thomas Farmer (Co-Principal).

Invited Lectures and Conference Presentations

Colloquium

International

- 2019 **Colloquium on Information structure**, *The surprising nature of clefts' alternatives: Comparing English and French*, Graz, Austria. Presenters/Authors: Destrue, Emilie
- 2019 **Colloquium Forschergruppe**, *The pragmatics of French c'est- and y'a-clefts*, Goethe Universität, Frankfurt, Germany. Presenters/Authors: Destrue, Emilie

- 2015 **Semantics workshop** on clefts, *Processing exhaustive inference in the English it-clefts and cross-linguistically.*, University of Göttingen, Göttingen, Germany.
Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2014 **Colloquium Forschergruppe**, *Contrast and Focus*, Goethe Universität, Frankfurt, Germany. Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2014 **LingLunch**, *Focus asymmetries in Spoken and Written French*, University Paris Diderot, Paris, France. Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2013 **ZAS Colloquium series**, *Asymmetries and gradience in French focus marking and interpretation*, The Center for General Linguistics (ZAS), Berlin, Germany.
Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2013 **Semantik Kolloquium**, *Inquiry Terminating Constructions*, Postdam University, Germany. Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2013 **Semantik Kolloquium**, *The French Cleft*, Postdam University, Postdam, Germany.
Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie

National

- 2021 **University of Indiana French Linguistics Forum**, *Processing implicatures in L2 French*. Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2013 **Foreign Language Program**, *Empirical studies in the pragmatics of syntactic structure*, University of California - Santa Cruz. Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2013 **University of Iowa**, *The French c'est-cleft: Empirical studies on its meaning and use*, Iowa city, Iowa, United States. Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2013 **Central Texas Chapter of the AATF**, *Using Technology in the classroom: Assessing oral proficiency using VoiceThread*, Austin, Texas, United States. Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie

Regional

- 2016 **Syntax and Semantics Colloquium**, *All about that cleft*, University of Texas at Austin. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed, Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie

State

- 2013 **Romance Linguistics Colloquium**, *Focus, contrast, and the English it-cleft*, University of Iowa, Iowa city, Iowa, United States. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed, Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie

Local

- 2015 **Linguistics Department Colloquium**, *Post-focal decompression in French*, University of Iowa, Iowa city, Iowa, United States. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed, Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2014 **FLARE Series**, *How to write and publish an academic paper*, University of Iowa, Iowa city, Iowa, United States. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed, Presenters/Authors: Liskin-Gasparro, J., Destruel, E.

Keynote/Plenary Address

International

- 2016 **International Workshop on Non-prototypical clefts**, *Comparing the meaning and processing properties of French c'est-clefts and y'a-clefts*, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Leuven, Belgium Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2016 **American Pragmatics Association**, *The French clefts: meaning, use and processing*, Indiana University, Bloomington, Bloomington, Indiana, United States
Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie

National

- 2014 **Language Matter**: Enhancing Foreign Language Teaching series, *Using movie trailers in the beginner's language classroom*, Austin, Texas, United States
Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie Student Presenters/Authors: Rose, Céline

Referred Conference Presentations

International

- 2021 **International Conference of Pragmatics**, (International Pragmatic Association) *The effect of language dominance on implicature processing in L2 French*, Winthertur, Switzerland. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed, Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2021 **The Romance Turn**, *Proficiency and Dominance in Implicature Processing in L2 learners of French.*, Universitat de les Isles Balears, Ibiza - Eivissa, Spain. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed, Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2020 **Pragmatics and Language Learning**, *Effect of language dominance on implicature processing in L2 French*, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, United States, Peer-Reviewed/Refereed, Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie (Conference online due to Covid-19)
- 2019 **Bilingualism in the Hispanic and Lusophone World (BHL)**, *Information focus in bilingual Spanish across experimental tasks.*, Leiden University, Leiden, Netherlands Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Leal, Tania, Destruel, Emilie, Hoot, Brad
- 2018 **Hispanic Linguistics Society**, *Object focus realization in Spanish across experimental tasks*, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas, United States Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Leal, Tania, Destruel, Emilie, Hoot, Brad
- 2018 **American Association for Applied Linguistics Conference (AAAL)**, *Effect of Language Dominance on Implicature Processing.*, Chicago, Illinois, United States Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2018 **Linguistic Evidence**, *Influence of the question type on the pragmatics of French clefts.*, University of Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2017 **Theoretical and Experimental Approaches to Presuppositions**, *Cross-linguistic Variation in the Interpretation and Processing of Cleft Exhaustivity: The Semantics-Pragmatics Debate Revisited*, University of Genoa, Genoa, Italy Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie, DeVeugh-Geiss, Joseph
- 2017 **Generative Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW) 40**, *Dual focus in French, German and Mandarin*, Leiden University, Leiden, Germany Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Féry, Caroline, Destruel, Emilie, Wang, Bei
- 2016 **Going Romance 30**, *Post-verbal realization of dual focus in French*, Goethe Universität, Frankfurt, Germany Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie, Féry, Caroline
- 2016 **Sinn Und Bedeutung**, *Clefts: Quite the contrary!* University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, United Kingdom Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie, Beaver, David, Coppock, Elizabeth
- 2016 **Tone and Intonation in Europe**, *Prosodic realization of dual focus in French, German and Mandarin*, University of Kent, Kent, United Kingdom Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Féry, Caroline, Destruel, Emilie, Wang, Bei
- 2014 **American Association for Applied Linguistics Conference (AAAL)**, *Implicatures in the Second Language: Evidence from the c'est-cleft in Near-native French*, Portland, Oregon, United States Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie, Donaldson, Bryan
- 2013 **10th Conference on Syntax and Semantics in Paris (CSSP)**, *Refining Contrastiveness: Evidence from the English it-cleft*, University Paris Diderot, Paris, France Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie, Velleman, Leah
- 2012 **Going Romance Conference**, *The C'est-Cleft/Canonical alternation in French: A Stochastic Optimality Theoretic Analysis*, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Leuven, Belgium Peer-Reviewed/Refereed, Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie

National

- 2015 **Hispanic Linguistic Symposium**, *Realizations of focus by native and heritage speakers*, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, United States
Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Leal, Tania, Destruel, Emilie, Hoot, Bradley
- 2014 **Second Language Research Forum (SLRF) 2014**, *Focus in Native and L2 Spanish*, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina, United States
Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Leal, Tania, Destruel, Emilie, Hoot, Bradley
- 2014 **Chicago Bilingualism Forum**, *Focus Realizations in Native, Heritage, and L2 Spanish*, University of Chicago Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Leal, Tania, Destruel, Emilie, Hoot, Bradley
- 2014 **Texas Linguistic Society (TLS) XV**, *Processing Exhaustive Inferences*, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas, United States Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie, Farmer, Thomas
- 2014 **Hispanic Linguistic Symposium**, *Production of two focus types in native, heritage, and L2 Spanish*. Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Leal, Tania, Destruel, Emilie, Hoot, Bradley

Refereed Poster Presentations**International**

- 2020 **Linguistic Evidence**, *Methodological triangulation at the syntax/pragmatics interface: Narrow object focus in Spanish across three task modalities*, University of Tubingen, Tubingen, Germany Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Hoot, Bradley, Leal, Tania, Destruel, Emilie
- 2019 **XPrag**, *The surprising nature of cleft alternatives in English and French*, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, United Kingdom Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie, Beaver, David, Coppock, Liz
- 2015 **Conference on Human Sentence Processing (CUNY)**, *Processing exhaustive inferences in English it-clefts*, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California, United States Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie, Farmer, Thomas
- 2015 **XPrag**, *Processing exhaustivity in English it-clefts*, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, United States Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie, Farmer, Thomas
- 2012 **Semantics And Linguistics Theory (SALT) 22**, *It-clefts are IT (Inquiry Terminating) Constructions*, Chicago, Illinois, United States Peer-Reviewed/Refereed Presenters/Authors: Beaver, David, Bumford, Dylan, Coppock, Liz, Destruel, Emilie, Onea, Edgar, Velleman, Leah

Lecture**Local**

- 2014 PSY:6101 “Cognitive Science Proseminar I”, *On the semantic pragmatic interface*, University of Iowa, Iowa city, Iowa, United States Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
- 2014 EDTL:7405 “Research Methods in Second Language”, *Pragmatic inferences*, University of Iowa, Iowa city, Iowa, United States Presenters/Authors: Destruel, Emilie
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