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Education

- 1990 PhD in Linguistics, University of Massachusetts at Amherst.
- 1983 Honours BA in English and Philosophy, Bishop's University.

Employment

- 2015– Fellow in Linguistics and Director of Studies in Linguistics, Homerton College.
- 2013– Reader in Morphology and Syntax, University of Cambridge.
- 1997–2012 Assistant Director of Research, University of Cambridge.
- 1992–96 Lecturer, Centre for Linguistics, University of Western Australia.
- 1994–96 Coordinator, Cognitive Science Program, University of Western Australia.
- 1989-92 Technical Staff, Microelectronics and Computer Technology Corporation.

Visiting and Research Positions

- 2012–13 Fellow, Institute for Advanced Study, Collegium de Lyon.
- 2005/07 Visiting Scholar, Linguistics Department, MPI-EVA, Leipzig.
- 2002 Visiting Associate Professor, Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley.
- 1996 Visiting Assistant Professor, Linguistics, University of Alberta.
- 1996 Visiting Scholar, Stanford University and University of California, Berkeley.
- 1990 Assistant Professor, Linguistics, University of Texas at Austin.

University Service (Faculty of Languages and Linguistics)

- 2017– Director, Linguistics Section.
- 2017– Member, Planning and Resource Committee.
- 2017– Member, Research Strategy Committee.
- 2017– Member, Faculty Board.
- 2014–16 Director, MPhil admissions in Linguistics.
- 2009–12 Director, PhD programme in Cognition, Computation and Language.

College Service (University of Cambridge)

- 2015– Member, Governing Body, Homerton College.
- 2015– Member, Research Committee, Homerton College.
- 2015– Member, IT Committee, Homerton College.

Programme Examination

- 2014–16 Programmes in Linguistics, University of Cambridge.
2004–09 MA Programmes in Linguistics, School of Oriental and African Studies.
2002–06 MA Programmes in Linguistics, University of Essex.

Recent Editing and Reviewing

Funding Agencies

European Institutes for Advanced Studies, Fellowship Programme
European Research Council, Advanced Grant Scheme
National Science Foundation, Linguistics Program

Journals/Publishers

Cognition
Canadian Journal of Linguistics
Journal of Language Modelling
Language Sciences
Language Science Press
Morphology
Oxford University Press

Editing/Editorial Board

Empirie und Theorie der Sprachwissenschaft
Morphological Investigations, Language Science Press
Journal of Linguistics (2010-2014)
Elsevier Encyclopedia of Language & Linguistics, 2nd edn., Syntax Editor

Professional Associations

Academia Europea
ESF College of Expert Reviewers
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft
Linguistic Society of America
Linguistic Society of Great Britain
Philological Society (Member of Council 2004–2012)

Publications

Volumes

- Blevins, J. P. (2016). *Word and Paradigm Morphology*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Blevins, J. P. (1990). *Syntactic Complexity: Evidence for Discontinuity and Multidomination*. GLSA: University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Edited Volumes

- Kiefer, F., J. P. Blevins, and H. Bartos (eds.) (2017). *Perspectives on Morphological Structure: Data and Analyses*. Leiden: Brill.
- Blevins, J. P., and J. Blevins (eds.) (2009). *Analogy in Grammar: Form and Acquisition*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Brown, E. K., and J. P. Blevins (eds.) (2001). *Transactions of the Philological Society: Special number on morphological paradigms*, 99(2).

Articles

- Blevins, J. P. (2017). The morphosyntax and morphothematics of voice. *Journal of Language Sciences* 24(4), 109–164.
- Geertzen, J., J. P. Blevins, and P. Milin (2016). The informativeness of linguistic unit boundaries. *Italian Journal of Linguistics* 28(2), 1–24.
- Ackerman, F., R. Malouf, and J. P. Blevins (2016). Patterns and discriminability in language analysis. *Word Structure* 9(2), 132–155.
- Blevins, J. P. (2013). The information-theoretic turn. *Psihologija* 46(3), 355–375.
- Blevins, J. P. (2008a). The post-transformational enterprise. *Journal of Linguistics* 44(3), 723–742.
- Blevins, J. P. (2008b). Declension classes in Estonian. *Linguistica Uralica* 44(4), 241–267.
- Blevins, J. P. (2007). Conjugation classes in Estonian. *Linguistica Uralica* 43(4), 250–267.
- Blevins, J. P. (2006). Word-based morphology. *Journal of Linguistics* 42(3), 531–573.
- Blevins, J. P. (2005). Word-based declensions in Estonian. *Handbook of Morphology 2005*, 1–25.
- Blevins, J. P. (2003a). Stems and paradigms. *Language* 79(2), 737–767.
- Blevins, J. P. (2003b). Passives and impersonals. *Journal of Linguistics* 39(3), 473–520.
- Blevins, J. P. (2001). Realization-based lexicalism. *Journal of Linguistics* 37(2), 355–365.
- Blevins, J. P. (2001). Paradigmatic derivation. *Transactions of the Philological Society* 99(2), 211–222.
- Blevins, J. P. (2000). Markedness and agreement. *Transactions of the Philological Society* 98(2), 233–262.
- Blevins, J. P. (1995). Syncretism and paradigmatic opposition. *Linguistics and Philosophy* 18(2), 113–152.
- Blevins, J. P. (1994a). Derived constituent order in unbounded dependency constructions. *Journal of Linguistics* 30(2), 349–409.
- Blevins, J. P. (1994b). A lexicalist analysis of gerundive nominals in English. *Australian Journal of Linguistics* 14(1), 1–38.

Chapters

- Blevins, J. P., F. Ackerman, and R. Malouf (2017). Word and Paradigm Morphology. *The Oxford Handbook of Morphological Theory*, ed. by J. Audring and F. Masini. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Blevins, J. P., P. Milin, and M. Ramscar (2017). The Zipfian Paradigm Cell Filling Problem. *Perspectives on Morphological Structure: Data and Analyses*, ed. by F. Kiefer, J. P. Blevins, and H. Bartos. Leiden: Brill, 141–158.
- Ramscar, M., M. Dye, J. P. Blevins, and R. H. Baayen (2017). Morphological development. *Handbook of Communications Disorders: Theoretical, Empirical, and Applied Linguistic Perspectives*, ed. by A. Bar-On and D. Ravid. Berlin: De Gruyter.
- Blevins, J. P. (2016). The minimal sign. *The Cambridge Handbook of Morphology*, ed. by G. T. Stump and A. Hippisley. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 50–69.
- Blevins, J. P., F. Ackerman, R. Malouf, and M. Ramscar (2017). Morphology as an adaptive discriminative system. *Morphological Metatheory*, ed. by H. Harley and D. Siddiqi. Philadelphia: Benjamins, 269–300.
- Blevins, J. P. (2015). Inflectional paradigms. *The Oxford Handbook of Inflection*, ed. by M. Baerman. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 87–111.
- Blevins, J. P. (2014). The morphology of words. *The Oxford Handbook of Language Processing*, ed. by V. Ferreira, M. Goldrick, and M. Miozza. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 152–164.
- Blevins, J. P. (2013a). Word-based morphology from Aristotle to modern WP. *The Oxford Handbook of the History of Linguistics*, ed. by K. Allan. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 396–417.
- Blevins, J. P. (2013b). American Descriptivism ('Structuralism'). *The Oxford Handbook of the History of Linguistics*, ed. by K. Allan. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 419–437.
- Blevins, J. P., and I. A. Sag (2013). Phrase Structure Grammar. *The Cambridge Handbook of Generative Syntax*, ed. by M. den Dikken. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 202–225.
- Blevins, J. P. (2011). Feature-based grammar. *Nontransformational Syntax*, ed. by R. D. Borsley and K. Börjars. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 297–324.
- Ackerman, F., J. P. Blevins, and R. Malouf (2009). Parts and wholes: Implicative patterns in inflectional paradigms. *Analogy in Grammar: Form and Acquisition*, ed. by J. P. Blevins and J. Blevins. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 54–81.
- Blevins, J. P. (2008). Case and declensional paradigms. *The Oxford Handbook of Case*, ed. by A. J. Spencer and A. Malchukov. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 200–218.
- Ackerman, F., and J. P. Blevins (2009). Syntax: The state of the art. *Unity and Diversity of Languages*, ed. by P. van Sterkenberg. Amsterdam: Benjamins, 215–229.
- Blevins, J. P. (2006). English inflection and derivation. *Handbook of English Linguistics*, ed. by B. Aarts and A. M. McMahon. London: Blackwell, 507–536.
- Blevins, J. P. (2005). Remarks on gerunds. *Morphology and the web of grammar: Essays in memory of Steven G. Lapointe*, ed. by C. O. Orgun and P. Sells. Stanford: CSLI Publications, 19–40.
- Blevins, J. P. (2004). Inflection classes and economy. *Explorations in Nominal Inflection*, ed. by G. Müller, L. Gunkel and G. Zifonun. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter, 41–85.
- Blevins, J. P. (2000). Markedness and blocking in German declensional paradigms. *Lexicon in Focus*, ed. by B. Stiebels and D. Wunderlich. Berlin: Akademie Verlag, 83–103.
- Blevins, J. P. (1988). Restructured compounds and Romance causatives. *Advances in Romance Linguistics*, ed. by J.-P. Montreuil and D. Birdsong. Dordrecht: Foris, 17–32.

Miscellanea

- Blevins, J. P., P. Milin, and M. Ramscar (2015). Zipfian discrimination. *Proceedings of the NetWordS Final Conference on Word Knowledge and Word Usage: Representations and Processes in the Mental Lexicon*, ed. by V. Pirrelli, C. Marzi, and M. Ferro. Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, 29–31.
- Blevins, J. P. (2009). Nontransformational grammar. *The Linguistics Encyclopedia*, 3rd edn., ed. by K. Malmkjær. London: Routledge, 377–392.
- Blevins, J. P., and J. Blevins (2009). Analogy: An introduction. *Analogy in Grammar: Form and Acquisition*, ed. by J. P. Blevins and J. Blevins. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1–12.
- Blevins, J. P. (2006a). Passive and impersonal constructions. *Elsevier Encyclopedia of Language & Linguistics*, 2nd edn., ed. by E. K. Brown. Amsterdam: Elsevier, 236–239.
- Blevins, J. P. (2006b). The Post-Bloomfieldians. *Elsevier Encyclopedia of Language & Linguistics*, 2nd edn., ed. by E. K. Brown. Amsterdam: Elsevier, 783–784.
- Blevins, J. P. (2006c). Syntactic features and feature structures. *Elsevier Encyclopedia of Language & Linguistics*, 2nd edn., ed. by E. K. Brown. Amsterdam: Elsevier, 390–393.
- Blevins, J. P. (2003). Review of *Issues in Austronesian morphology: A Focusschrift for Byron W. Bender*. *Oceanic Linguistics* 42(2), 553–558.
- Blevins, J. P. (1999). Productivity and exponence. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences* 22(6), 1015–1016.
- Blevins, J. P. (1994). Review of *Linguistic theory in the United States from Bloomfield to Chomsky*. *Australian Journal of Linguistics* 14(1), 217–227.
- Blevins, J. P. (2001). Morphological paradigms. *Transactions of the Philological Society* 99(2), 207–210.

Forthcoming

- Blevins, J. P. (2017). Implicational morphology, *Linguistic Analysis*.
- Blevins, J. P., G. Booij, and P. Milin (2017). Inflection at the morphology- syntax interface. *Word Knowledge and Word Usage: A Cross-disciplinary Guide to the Mental Lexicon*, ed. by V. Pirrelli, I. Plag, and W. U. Dressler. Berlin: De Gruyter.
- Petar Milin, and J. P. Blevins (2018). Paradigms in morphology. *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Morphology*, ed. by R. Lieber, S. Arndt-Lappe, A. Fàbregas, C. Gagné, and F. Masini. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Selected Talks

- 2017.12.20 Systems, Inventories and Distributions. Current Approaches to Morphology, University of Alberta.
- 2017.12.14 Units and relations in WP approaches. What is a word?, Universität Zürich.
- 2016.11.11 Abstractive discrimination. Seminar für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Universität Zürich.
- 2016.08.25 The morphosyntax of voice. KALS Korea International Conference, Pusan National University, Busan Korea.
- 2016.06.21 Implicational morphology. Anamorphosys: Analyzing morphological systems, Laboratoire Dynamique du Langage, Lyon.

- 2016.05.23 Back to the future: The rise and fall and rise of information theory in linguistics. Entropy Day, University of Sheffield.
- 2016.02.18 Discriminative abstraction. 17th International Morphology Meeting, Vienna.
- 2016.08.01 (with P. Milin and M. Ramscar) Equilibrium typology. 11th Meeting of the Association for Linguistic Typology, Albuquerque, NM.
- 2015.03.31 (with P. Milin and M. Ramscar) Zipfian deduction. Word Knowledge and Word Usage: NetWordS Final Conference, Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa.
- 2014.12.01 Morphology as a complex adaptive discriminative system. Encounter of Cultures, University of Novi Sad.
- 2014.05.30 (with M. Ramscar) Uncertainty and discrimination in WP. 16th International Morphology Meeting, Budapest.
- 2014.05.30 (with P. Milin and E. Keuleers) Morphemes in context and in isolation: A recursive view on measures of frequency and complexity. 16th International Morphology Meeting, Budapest.
- 2014.05.24 Discriminative variation and paradigmatic poverty. Wortbildung und Flexion in Wort-und-Paradigma-Ansätzen, Université Paris 13.
- 2013.09.17 (with P. Milin and E. Keuleers) Lemma size effects on morphological processing. 9th Mediterranean Morphological Meeting, Dubrovnik.
- 2013.06.22 (with E. Keuleers and P. Milin) The word frequency effect as contextual entropy. 8th International Morphological Processing Conference, Cambridge.
- 2013.04.30 Phrase structure generalizations. Structure and Evidence in Linguistics: A workshop in honor of Ivan A Sag, Stanford, CA.
- 2012.11.09 Morphological and pronominal impersonals. Workshop on impersonal pronouns, Université Paris 8.
- 2012.09.21 Words and paradigms. 1st American International Morphology Meeting, Amherst, MA.
- 2011.11.09 Morphological complexity and isolation. Workshop on Complexity and Isolation, FRIAS, University of Freiburg.
- 2010.10.30 The role of morphemes in implicational models of morphology. Workshop on the Morpheme, University of Coimbra, Portugal.
- 2010.05.16 The morpheme as a unit of predictive value. 14th International Morphology Meeting, Budapest.
- 2010.03.23 Paradigmatic deduction. Theory, Typology & Technology: Parsing in the Face of Diversity, ILLI, University of Amsterdam.
- 2009.07.14 Structure and order in English. Third International Conference on the Linguistics of Contemporary English, SOAS.
- 2008.06.20 Abstraction and implication in WP. Workshop on Paradigmatic Morphology, Toulouse.
- 2008.02.06 An information-based measure of morphological information. QITL-3, University of Helsinki.
- 2008.02.05 Measuring inflectional economy. 13th International Morphology Meeting, Vienna.
- 2007.10.18 Inflection classes in Estonian. Tallinn University.
- 2006.05.29 Prosodic and implicational structure of Estonian paradigms. 15th Conference of the Finno-Ugric Studies Association of Canada, York University, Toronto.

- 2006.05.26 Grade-alternating paradigms in Uralic. 12th International Morphology Meeting, Budapest.
- 2006.01.06 Paradigms and predictability. LSA Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM.
- 2005.03.07 Thematic inversion in Georgian. University of Oxford
- 2004.02.14 Non-redundancy in WP. 11th International Morphology Meeting, Vienna.
- 2003.11.13 La voix passive et la voix impersonnelle. Cercle de Linguistique de l'INALCO.
- 2000.10.13 Stems and paradigms. Meeting of The Philological Society.

Linguistic Institutes

- 2017.07 (with F. Ackerman) Implicational morphology. LSA Summer Institute, University of Kentucky, Lexington.
- 2012.07 (with G. Booij) Construction-based and paradigm-based approaches to word structure. 1st NetWordS Summer School, Dubrovnik.
- 2011.07 (with F. Ackerman) Word and Paradigm Morphology: Data and Analysis. LSA Summer Institute, University of Colorado at Boulder.
- 2007.07 Introduction to morphology. LSA Summer Institute, Stanford University.
- 2007.07 (with F. Ackerman, F. del Prado Martín and M. Tomasello) Pattern-based approaches to lexical knowledge. LSA Summer Institute, Stanford University.
- 1994.07 (with I. A. Sag) Phrase Structure Grammar. Australian Linguistic Institute, La Trobe University, Melbourne.

Workshop Organization

- 2018.05.11 Models and methods in morphology. 18th International Morphology Meeting, Budapest.
- 2017.06.23 (with P. Milin) Symposium on quantitative morphology. Morphological Processing Conference, Scuola Internazionale Superiore di Studi Avanzati, Trieste.
- 2016.02.18 Discriminative perspectives on morphology. *17th International Morphology Meeting*, Vienna.
- 2015.08.01 (with G. Walther) Workshop on system typology. Association for Linguistic Typology 11, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque.
- 2014.06.3–5 (with C. Pléh) Corpus resources for quantitative and psycholinguistic analysis, Eszterházy College, Eger.
- 2014.05.30 Information-theoretic approaches to morphology. 16th International Morphology Meeting, Budapest.
- 2006.09.22–3 (with J. Blevins) Analogy in Grammar: Form and Acquisition. Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig.
- 2006.05.26 (with F. Ackerman) Word and Paradigm perspectives on Uralic. 12th International Morphology Meeting, Budapest.
- 2006.01.06 Word and Paradigm Morphology. *LSA Annual Meeting*, Albuquerque.