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***Publications:***

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- Channon, Rachel. 2002. *Signs are single segments: Phonological representations and temporal sequencing in ASL and other sign languages*. Doctoral dissertation, University of Maryland, College Park. Available for download at [www.ling.umd.edu/Publications/Dissertations](http://www.ling.umd.edu/Publications/Dissertations)
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- Crain, Rachel Channon. 1996. "Representing a sign as a single segment in American Sign Language." In *Proceedings of the Thirteenth Eastern States Conference on Linguistics '96*, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, pp. 46-57.

***Grants:***

Principal subcontractor on a 3 year grant starting in 2012 from the National Science Foundation with Harry van der Hulst of the University of Connecticut. This project will create elicitation material, online sign language dictionaries, sign transcriptions and a database for 15 globally distributed sign languages with 1000 signs in each language.

Co-Investigator on a grant from the National Science Foundation with Harry van der Hulst of the University of Connecticut. This project has created a sign language database for the use of sign language researchers, especially phonologists and phoneticians. A web site allowing download of the database will be hosted by the Linguistic Data Consortium of the University of Pennsylvania in late 2008. 2006-2008.

Two grants (summer 2004, January 2005) from Gallaudet Research Institute of Gallaudet University to Lois Bragg and Rachel Channon, co-investigators for ongoing project "Describing Deaf English". This project investigates the essays of deaf college students to determine the nature of their variations from standard English. 2004-2006.

Grant from Gallaudet Research Institute to Harry Markowicz and Rachel Channon, co-investigators for project "Diachronic change in ASL". This project investigated phonological changes from Old French

Sign Language, Old ASL, and modern ASL. This material is incorporated in the SignTyp database. 2005.

Grant from the Dean, College of Liberal Arts, Sciences and Technologies of Gallaudet University to Harry Markowicz and Rachel Channon, co-investigators for project "Diachronic change in ASL". 2005.

Travel Grant, University of Maryland Linguistics Department March. 2004.

Goldhaber Travel Award. 2000.

Travel grant from UMD Graduate School, Office of Graduate Studies and Research. 2000.

### ***Honors and Certifications:***

Fellowship, University of Maryland 1993

President's Scholar, Gallaudet University 1991

### ***Work History:***

NSF grant for SignTyp. 2006-

Gallaudet University English Department, Assistant Professor. 2002 – 2006.

University of Maryland Linguistics Department, Lecturer on linguistics of American Sign Language. 2002 - 2004.

University of Maryland Linguistics Department, Teaching Assistant. 1993-1995.

English tutor/teaching assistant for deaf students 1990-1992, 2003.

Freelance interpreter for local agencies and universities including American University, Birnbaum Interpreting Agency, Gallaudet University, Georgetown University, Partners in Sign, Sign Language Associates, Signing Hands, Wohl Communications, and the University of Maryland 1991-2002.

Editor/research assistant at Gallaudet Research Institute 1989-1990.

Computer programmer/analyst for the Environmental Protection Agency, Carnegie-Mellon University, PPG Industries, Mid-Maine Medical, and Scott Paper Company 1975-1989.

### ***Service:***

Organized the First SignTyp Conference at the University of Connecticut for 74 attendees. June 26-28, 2008.

Organized a workshop for 6 attendees at the University of Connecticut for the SignTyp project. January 13-14, 2007.

Managed colloquium series at University of Maryland 1993-1994.

### ***Education:***

Ph.D. in Linguistics, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, May 2002.

M.A. in Linguistics, Gallaudet University, Washington DC, May 1991.

B.A. St. Johns College, Annapolis, Maryland, May 1975.