

MASTER THESIS SUBJECTS / THEMES 2010-2011  
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Paul Vogt supervises master thesis projects concerning research on the evolution and acquisition of language, with a special interest in the role of joint attention and multimodal gestures on these issues.

Broadly, MSc theses can be pursued along the following topics areas:

1. Participation in the CASA MILA project. Within this project, various studies can be carried out.
2. Word-learning experiments. Develop and carry out word-learning experiments with adults in which forms of joint attention are the dependent variable.
3. Study the relation between group size and the evolution of grammatical structures in language (a literature, corpus and/or computer simulation study).
4. Develop and carry out experiments to study aspects of language evolution in the laboratory with human subjects.
5. Study the role of joint attention and vocabulary development in computer simulations.

These questions can be investigated using, e.g., a literature study, experiments, analyses of linguistic corpora or computer simulations. Students with all possible backgrounds in CIS are welcome.

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