

## John S. Justeson

### POSITIONS HELD

#### *Full-time:*

The University at Albany, Department of Anthropology: Albany, New York

Professor: May 2002–present

Associate Professor: September 1990–May 2002

University of Pittsburgh, Department of Anthropology: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Visiting Associate Research Professor: September 1996–August 1997

IBM T. J. Watson Research Center, Department of Artificial Intelligence: Yorktown Heights, New York

Postdoctoral Fellow, Lexical Systems Project: September 1988–August 1990

[corpus analysis and automated word sense disambiguation]

Vassar College, Department of Anthropology: Poughkeepsie, New York

Adjunct Assistant Professor: September 1984–August 1986

[research position, funded by a grant from the National Science Foundation]

Dumbarton Oaks, Trustees for Harvard University: Washington, D.C.

Postdoctoral Fellow in Pre-Columbian Studies: September 1981–May 1982

University of South Carolina, Department of Anthropology: Columbia, South Carolina

Assistant Professor: January, 1978–December, 1980 [resigned to relocate upon marriage]

Instructor: August, 1976–December, 1977

Yale University, Department of Anthropology: New Haven, Connecticut

Tinker Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow, in historical linguistics: September, 1978–August,

1979 [on leave from the University of South Carolina]

### EDUCATION

Stanford University: September, 1972–August, 1976; September 1986–August 1988;

M.S. in Computer Science (artificial intelligence, computational linguistics):

September, 1988

Ph.D. in Anthropology (archaeology, linguistics): September, 1978

Dissertation: *Mayan scribal practice in the Classic period: a test-case of an explanatory approach to the study of writing systems*. Ann Arbor: University Microfilms.

M.A. in Anthropology: June, 1974

University of California, Berkeley: September, 1968–June, 1972

B.A. in Anthropology and Probability Theory: June, 1972

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

*Topical Interests:* evolution and adaptation in the organization of information processing

Writing systems: decipherment; theories of representational structure; co-evolution of representational conventions; uses, social contexts, and transmission of writing

Symbolic dimensions of material culture: artifact style, art and culture, archaeoastronomy

Language: language history and cultural prehistory; language adaptation;

histories of indigenous Mesoamerican languages; language documentation

*Areal interests* (prehistory, language history, writing systems):

Mesoamerica: Mayan, Mixe-Zoquean, Xochicalco, Zapotec [epigraphy; language history; calendar systems; astronomical models and practices]

Near East: Sumerian, Elamite; Old Persian, Hittite, Meroitic [epigraphy; evolution of writing; linguistic structure]

Mediterranean: Iberian, Minoan (Linear A), Mycenaean (Linear B), Old Norse [evolution of writing]

India/Pakistan: devanagari family, Indus script; Dravidian, Indo-Iranian [epigraphy, language history]

*Methodological interests:* computational and probabilistic modelling; adaptive networks and machine learning; decipherment

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

*current* (SUNY at Albany, 1990–present, in order of frequency; courses without numbers have always been taught as Topics courses):

ANT 197/124Z/124H	Lost Languages and Ancient Scripts [problem-solving seminar]	16x
	Fa95, Fa97, Fa98, Fa99, Fa00, Fa01, Fa02, Fa04, Fa06, Sp08, Fa08, Fa09, Fa12, Fa13, Fa15, Fa16	
ANT 434/534, 634	Mesoamerican Writing Systems	15x
	Fa93, Sp95, Sp96, Fa97, Fa99, Fa01, Sp02, Fa04, Sp07, Sp08, Sp09, Sp12, Fa13, Sp16, Fa17	
ANT 506	Proseminar in Linguistic Anthropology	13x
	Fa90, Sp92, Sp93, Sp98, Sp99, Sp02, Sp03, Sp06, Sp07, Sp08, Sp12, Sp14, Sp17	
Sumerian I		16x
	Sp07, Sp08, Fa08, Sp09, Fa09, Sp10, Fa11, Sp12, Sp13, Fa13, Sp14, Sp15, Fa15, Sp16, Fa16, Sp17	
Sumerian II	Sp08, Fa08, Sp09, Fa09, Sp10, Fa11, Sp12, Fa12, Fa13, Sp14, Fa14, Sp16, Fa17	13x
LIN 423/523	Linguistic Structures	7x
	Fa90, Fa91, Sp99, Sp10, Sp13, Sp14, Sp15	
	Mesoamerican Languages (as ANT 528)	Fa90, Fa91
	Structures of Oto-Manguean Languages	Sp99, Sp10
	Structures of Mayan and Mixe-Zoquean Languages	Sp13
	Structures of Mayan Languages	Sp14
	Structures of Mayan and Oto-Manguean Languages	Sp15
ANT/LIN 220	Introduction to Linguistics	6x
	Fa11, Fa12, Fa14, Fa15, Fa16, Fa18	
ANT 325	Sociolinguistics	5x
	Sp00, Sp05, Sp09, Fa11, Sp16	
ANT 425/525	Comparative and Historical Linguistics	5x
	Sp91, Fa94, Sp98, Fa14, Fa18	
ANT 600	Quantitative Methods in Anthropology	5x
	Sp91, Fa91, Fa92, Fa95, Fa02	
Language and Prehistory		5x
	Fa92, Sp94, Sp96, Sp00, Fa07	
ANT 221/106	Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology	4x
	(as ANT 221H: Sp94)	
ANT 571	Mesoamerican Language Instruction	4x
	Fa94, Fa95, (Sp98), Sp99	
Computational Linguistics		3x
	Sp91, Fa01, Sp10	
ANT 582	Practicum in College Teaching	3x
	Sp99, Sp09, Fa10	
ANT 424	Language and Culture	3x
	Sp06, Fa07, Sp15	
ANT 160	Symbol and Human Nature	2x
	Sp93, Fa93	
LIN 429/529	Linguistic Field Methods	1x
	Fa17	
LIN 301	Introduction to Cognitive Science	1x
	Sp01	
ANT 624	Mesoamerican Language and Culture	1x
	Fa04	
Cypriot epigraphy		1x
	Fa02	
Linguistic Reconstruction		1x
	Fa00	
Undeciphered Scripts		1x
	Fa98	

*previous* (University of South Carolina, 1976–81)

Mesoamerican prehistory; archaeological field school; archaeological method and theory; introduction to archaeology and physical anthropology; mathematical modelling in archaeology; rise and fall of civilizations; language and prehistory

## FIELD WORK

*Linguistic:*

1994–2010 Co-director, Project for the Documentation of the Languages of Meso-America, for field work on 32 indigenous Mexican languages (4 Mixean, 6 Zoquean; 4 Nahuatl; 2 Matlatzincan; 9 Zapotec, 2 Chatino; 2 Mayan; 1 Totonac, 1 Tepehua, 1 Chochoan). Main field headquarters: Catemaco, Veracruz, Mexico. Set-up of project in field and orientation/training of linguists. Computer programming and advanced ascii editing to restructure databases, locate missing / inconsistent data, produce dictionaries from databases (according to different criteria, for dissemination to speakers for feedback, for online access, and for hardcopy publication. Compilation of cognate sets from databases.

- 1995: Text collection and transcription, ethonobotany, and kinship vocabulary of Santa María Chimalapa Zoque; kinship terms and cognates to epi-Olmec vocabulary in Zoque of Copainalá, Chiapas.
- 1993, 1994, 1996, 1997, 2003, 2005, 2006 Documentation of epi-Olmec and Zapotec hieroglyphic inscriptions
- 1993 Sierra Popoluca (Soteapan Gulf Zoquean) language of Soteapan, Veracruz. Ethnobiology, kinship terminology, ethnomedicine, ethnoastronomy, epi-Olmec. Field headquarters: Fortín, Veracruz, Mexico. 2 months.
- 1979 Chontal Mayan of Benito Juárez (San Carlos), Tabasco, Mexico. Vocabulary elicitation for proto-Cholan reconstruction. Month of January.
- 1973–4 Proyecto Arqueológico Yaxhá: Yaxhá, El Petén, Guatemala. Documenting hieroglyphic inscriptions on monuments. Nicholas M. Hellmuth, director. June 1973–July 1973; July 1974–August 1974.

*Archaeological:*

- 2011 Archival work and interviewing to reconstruct part of late 19th century artifact recovery around Tres Zapotes, Veracruz. With Ponciano Ortiz, Christopher Pool, and María del Carmen Rodríguez.
- 1980 Wateree Valley Archaeological Project: Camden, South Carolina. Co-director, with Stanton W. Green. June 1980–July 1980.
- 1973 Stanford Prehistoric Regionalization Project: Guanajuato, Guanajuato, Mexico. Survey and mapping. July 1973–August 1973.
- 1973 Cozumel Archaeological Project: San Miguel, Cozumel, Mexico. Excavation. William L. Rathje and Jeremy A. Sabloff, directors. April 1973–June 1973.
- 1971 Southwest Archaeological Expedition: Vernon, Arizona. Excavation. Paul S. Martin, director. June 1971–August 1971.

**Grants, Fellowships, Honors**

- Dumbarton Oaks, Postdoctoral Fellow in Pre-Columbian Studies, 2010–2011 (epi-Olmec decipherment)
- Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas, 2007–2010. *Language documentation in Meso-America*. Grant for (a) completion of lexical documentation of 23 languages, and continuation of the documentation of 2 languages, by the Project for the Documentation of the Languages of Meso-America, summers 2007–2010; (b) completion of dictionaries for 23 languages documented by the PDLMA; (c) dialect survey of 100 forms of Zapotecan (Zapotec and Chatino) speech. Terrence Kaufman, John Justeson, and Roberto Zavala, co-directors of PDLMA. 10,000,000 Mexican pesos ( $\approx$  \$800,000–\$950,000).
- Faculty Professional Development Program, 2008, 2010: partial reimbursement of expenses for study of Sumerian language at Cornell University.
- Foundation for the Advancement of Mesoamerican Studies, Inc. 2006. Completing the lexical documentation of Lakantun Mayan. Support for linguistic field work by Henrik Bergqvist for the Project for the Documentation of the Languages of Meso-America, summer 2007. \$10,000. Declined after Bergqvist was unable to come to the field.
- Heinz Grant Program Latin American Archaeology, 2006. Completing the photographic documentation of epi-Olmec hieroglyphic inscriptions. \$1,537.
- John Simon Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship, 2003–2004. Linguistics (epi-Olmec decipherment)
- Salus Mundi Foundation. *Language documentation in Meso-America*. Grant for lexical documentation of 10 (all) Mixe-Zoquean languages and 11 Zapotecan languages; 3 Totonacan languages; 2 Matlatzincan languages; 1 Chochoan language; 4 forms of Nahuatl; grammars of 21 of these languages; a preliminary Mayan etymological dictionary; recording epi-Olmec and Zapotec hieroglyphic texts, and decipherment work on them. Co-principal investigator with Terrence Kaufman. Planned for 2001–2007; award for 2001–2002: \$250,000; award for 2002–2004: \$250,000. Award for 2005: \$100,000.

Foundation for the Advancement of Mesoamerican Studies, Inc. *A Preliminary Mayan Etymological Dictionary*. Databasing comparative vocabulary collections made by or for Terrence Kaufman in 1970–1971, and compiling Mayan etymologies from them. 2002–2003: \$12,000.

University at Albany Excellence in Research Award. May, 2002.

Faculty Research Awards Program. Grant for preparation of graphical database for Indus Valley decipherment work; primarily supports drawing of selected Indus texts by graduate research assistant. Principal investigator. 2000–01. \$4,000.

National Science Foundation. *Mixe-Zoquean and Zapotecan documentation and comparative linguistics*. Grant for lexical documentation of all Mixe-Zoquean languages and 11 Zapotecan languages, and epi-Olmec and Zapotec documentation and decipherment. Co-principal investigator with Terrence Kaufman. 1995–98. \$380,000. 1998–2001, \$464,098. REU supplements, 1997, \$5,000; 1998, \$5,106; 1999, \$5,670. Supplement 2000, \$7056.

National Geographic Society. *Mesoamerican language documentation and culture history*. Grant for lexical documentation of Matlatzincan, Zapotecan, Nahuatl, and Totonacan languages, toward linguistic reconstruction of aspects of Mesoamerican culture history. Co-principal investigator with Terrence Kaufman. 1997 season, \$24,000; 1998 season, \$20,000; 1999 season, \$25,000.

Research Foundation of the University at Albany, and the College of Arts and Sciences: Grant for epigraphic documentation of the inscription on La Mojarra Stela 1. Night examination and drawing of the text, assisted by David Mora-Marín. June 1997, 9 days. \$1,600.

National Science Foundation. *Mixe-Zoquean documentation and comparative linguistics*. Grant for lexical documentation of six endangered and/or poorly documented Mixe-Zoquean languages, and epi-Olmec hieroglyphic documentation and decipherment. Co-principal investigator, with Terrence Kaufman. 1994–95. \$47,000.

National Geographic Society. Supplementary support for above project. \$21,990.

Faculty Research Awards Program. Grant for lexical documentation of Sierra Popoluca and other Mixe-Zoquean languages. Principal investigator. 1993–94. \$9,965.

National Geographic Society. Grant for research on epi-Olmec decipherment and for linguistic field work on Mixe-Zoquean languages. Co-principal investigator, with Terrence Kaufman. 1993. \$14,696.

IBM T.J. Watson Research Center, Department of Artificial Intelligence. Joint study contract. Computational research on word sense disambiguation and corpus analysis, with Slava Katz. Principal investigator. 1990–1994. \$13,000.

National Science Foundation, Department of Linguistics. *The early evolution of Mayan hieroglyphic writing*. Analyzing the introduction of grammatical and phonetic representation in Mayan writing; with Peter Mathews. Principal investigator. 1985–86. \$34,650.

Dumbarton Oaks Postdoctoral Fellowship, Washington, D.C. Investigations of comparative problems in writing systems, with special reference to Mesoamerican hieroglyphic writing. 1981–82.

Grant for summer research, University of South Carolina; archival work on Micmac language and hieroglyphic writing, Bibliotheque Nationale, Paris, 1980. \$1,000.

Dean's grant for special research project, Stanford University (with James A. Fox). \$700.

National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, Anthropology. 1973–76. \$10,800.

Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society of North America, 1974

Latin American Studies Association grant for summer research, 1973. \$900.

Honorable Mention, National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship competition in Mathematics, 1972.

Honors in Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley, 1972

Honor Student, all quarters, University of California, Berkeley;

Honors Calculus sequence, University of California, Berkeley, 1968–70

National Merit Scholarship, 1968–72. \$1,000.

Phi Beta Kappa, 1972

**Memberships in Professional and Honorary Societies** (during 1990–2018; not all concurrent)  
American Anthropological Association; American Oriental Society; Archaeological Institute of America; Association for Computational Linguistics; International Society for Astronomy and Archaeoastronomy in Culture; Linguistic Society of America; Phi Beta Kappa; Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society of North America; Society for American Archaeology; Society for Linguistic Anthropology; Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas

## **SERVICE**

### **External promotion reviews**

Tenure and promotion: Fall 2015

Promotion to full professor: Spring, 1987; Fall 2015

### **Professional organizations**

American Institute of Archaeology: President of Albany chapter, 2014 – present

### **University at Albany**

Committee on Academic Standing, 1990–1992

University Grievance Committee 1994–1995 (or so)

College of Arts and Sciences Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2011–2013

College of Arts and Sciences Academic Council; Faculty Planning Committee, Spring 2016

### **Department of Anthropology**

Tenure/promotion case responsibilities:

Research, 2007–2008, 2014–2015 (Walter Little)

Teaching, 2014–2015 (Adam Gordon);

student evaluations only (SIRFs), 1997, 2004, 2006–2008, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2018

Service, 2004–2005, 2007–2008

Interim chair, Fall 2006

Graduate Affairs Committee: chair, 2000–2003; member, 1997–2000, 2012–2017

Faculty search committees:

Syntax of indigenous Mesoamerican or North American languages, 2014–2015

Mayan archaeology, 1995–1996; North American archaeology, 2000–2001

Human Biology lectureship, 2012–2013

Self-study committee, co-chair: 2011–2012

Awards nomination: occasional

Northeast Mesoamerican Epigraphy Group (founder and organizer).

leading figures make presentations of ongoing research, usually 2–3 hours each.

met monthly during academic year, 1994–2003; irregularly, 2003–2010, 2014

### **Institute for Mesoamerican Studies**

Director, Fall 2008–Fall 2009

### **United University Professions**

Part-line Concerns Committee: 2009–2010; 2012–2013

### **Peer reviewing**

*Grants:* Foundation for the Advancement of Mesoamerican Studies, Inc.; National Endowment for the Humanities, National Science Foundation, American Council of Learned Societies; SUNY Benevolent Society, IMS DeCormier Fellowships

*Publications:* American Anthropologist, American Antiquity, Ancient Mesoamerica, Archaeoastronomy, Contributions to Mayan Hieroglyphic Decipherment, Current Anthropology, Journal of Anthropological Research, Journal of Latin American Anthropology, Journal of Mayan Linguistics, Language, Latin American Antiquity, Middle American Research Institute, Research Reports on Ancient Maya Writing, Transactions of the Philological Society, Science, University of California Press, University of Oklahoma Press, University of Pennsylvania Press, University of Texas Press, Yale University Publications in Anthropology

**Mentoring:** Woodrow Wilson Career Enhancement Fellowship Program (for minority junior faculty); served (nominally) as mentor for Javier Urcid Serrano

### **Presentations to elementary schools**

Hagan Elementary School, Poughkeepsie (1993); Las Palmas Elementary School, San Clemente, Calif. (2004); Garrison Elementary School, Garrison (2010)

## **PUBLICATIONS (82)**

### **BOOK-LENGTH INTERNET PUBLICATION**

2003 A Preliminary Mayan Etymological Dictionary (Terrence Kaufman with the assistance of John Justeson). 1565 pages. <http://www.famsi.org/reports/01051/index.html>

### **MONOGRAPHS**

- 2001 *Epi-Olmec Hieroglyphic Writing and Texts*. (Terrence Kaufman and John Justeson). Part Three of Notebook for the XXVth Maya Hieroglyphic Forum at Texas. Austin: University of Texas. Posted at the PDLMA website, at <<http://www.albany.edu/pdlma/EOTEXTS.pdf>>. 99pp.
- 1985 *The Foreign Impact on Lowland Mayan Language and Script* (John Justeson, William M. Norman, Lyle Campbell, and Terrence Kaufman). Middle American Research Institute Publication 53. Tulane University: New Orleans.

### **EDITED BOOKS**

- 1984 *Phoneticism in Mayan Hieroglyphic Writing* (John Justeson and Lyle Campbell, editors). Institute for Mesoamerican Studies, Publication 9. Albany: State University of New York. [Reprinted with a new introduction, 1996]

### **DICTIONARIES of the Project for the Documentation of the Languages of Mesoamerica**

(all manuscripts edited by Justeson; returned to press March – June 2014)

#### **all in press**

- Diccionario de la lengua zoqueana del golfo de Ayapa, Tabasco / Dictionary of Ayapa Gulf Sokean* (Daniel F. Suslak). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 845 pp.
- Diccionario de Yokot'an / Yokot'an (Chontal Mayan) Dictionary* (Bradley Montgomery-Anderson). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 991pp.
- Diccionario de la lengua chatina de Zenzontepec / Zenzontepec Chatino Dictionary* (Eric Campbell). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 931pp.
- Diccionario de la lengua na:wat de Tacuapan, Puebla / Tacuapan Nahuatl Dictionary* (Una Canger). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 1217pp.
- Diccionario de la lengua mijeana de Oluta, Veracruz / Dictionary of Oluta Mijeana* (Roberto Zavala Maldonado). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 880 pp.
- Diccionario de la nahuat de Pajapan, Veracruz / Pajapan Nahuatl Dictionary* (Valentín Peralta). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 1311pp.
- Diccionario colonial de la lengua zoque de Tecpatán, Chiapas / Dictionary of colonial Soke of Tecpatán, Chiapas* (Roberto Zavala Maldonado). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 1159pp.
- Diccionario de la lengua chatina de Yaitepec / Yaitepec Chatino Dictionary* (Jeffrey Rasch). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 618pp.
- Diccionario de la lengua zoque de Santa María Chimalapa / Dictionary of Santa María Chimalapa Soke* (Terrence Kaufman, with the assistance of Loretta O'Connor). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 2205pp.
- Diccionario de la lengua zoque de San Miguel Chimalapa / Dictionary of San Miguel Chimalapa Soke* (Terrence Kaufman and Heidi Anne Johnson). Instituto Nacional de Lenguas Indígenas: Mexico City. 1874pp.

Trilingual editions of these and at least 7 other dictionaries will also be disseminated online at the website of the University at Albany's Institute for Mesoamerican Studies, in pdf and xml format, and will be searchable using a search facility of Justeson's design that permits retrieval of entries fitting the user's choice of constraints on all accessible fields in the databases, at [www.albany.edu/ims](http://www.albany.edu/ims).

**PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES (25)**

- 2017 A cyclic-time model for the structure of the eclipse table of the Dresden Codex. *Ancient Mesoamerica* **27**(2):507–541.
- 2009 Historical linguistics and pre-Columbian Mesoamerica. *Ancient Mesoamerica* **20**(2): 221–231. (Terrence Kaufman and John Justeson)
- 2008 Eclipse records in a corpus of colonial Zapotec 260-day calendars. *Ancient Mesoamerica* **19**(1): 67–81. (David Tavárez and John Justeson)
- 2007 The history of the word for ‘cacao’ and related terms in ancient Meso-America. *Ancient Mesoamerica* **18**(2):1–46. (Terrence Kaufman and John Justeson)
- 1997 A newly-discovered column in the hieroglyphic text on La Mojarra Stela 1: a test of the epi-Olmec decipherment. (John Justeson and Terrence Kaufman). *Science* **277**:207-210. [An extended version appears in *Science Online*, the electronic version of *Science*, at <http://www.sciencemag.org/feature/data/justeson.shl>.
- 1996 Un desciframiento de la escritura epi-olmeca: métodos y resultados (John Justeson and Terrence Kaufman). *Arqueología* **8** (1992):15-25. [Appeared in the spring of 1996]
- 1995 Principled disambiguation: discriminating adjective senses using modified nouns (John Justeson and Slava Katz). *Computational Linguistics* **21**(1).
- 1995 Syntax and lexical statistics in anaphora resolution (Ido Dagan, John Justeson, Shalom Lappin, Herbert Leass, and Amnon Ribak). *Journal of Applied Artificial Intelligence* **9**:633–644.
- 1995 Technical terminology: some linguistic properties and an algorithm for identification in text (John Justeson and Slava Katz). *Journal of Natural Language Engineering* **1**(1):1–19. [A shorter version of this paper was previously published, under the same title, as a research report of the IBM Research Division, T. J. Watson Research Center (RC 18906), on May 18, 1993.]
- 1993 A decipherment of epi-Olmec hieroglyphic writing (John Justeson and Terrence Kaufman). *Science* **259**:1703–1711.
- 1991–1993 The evolution of syllabaries from alphabets: transmission, language contrast, and script typology (John Justeson and Laurence D. Stephens). *Sprache* **35**(1):2–46.
- 1992 Redefining antonymy: the textual structure of a semantic relation. (John Justeson and Slava M. Katz). *Journal of Literary and Linguistic Computing*. Revised version of paper of the same name in *Using Corpora*, ed. Frank M. Tompa, pp. 138–153. Waterloo, Ontario: University of Waterloo Centre for the New OED and Text Research.
- 1991 Co-occurrences of antonymous adjectives and their contexts (John Justeson and Slava M. Katz) *Computational Linguistics* **17**:1–19.
- 1990 Evolutionary trends in Mesoamerican hieroglyphic writing (John Justeson and Peter Mathews). *Visible Language* **24**(1):88–132.
- 1990 Method for inferring lexical associations from textual co-occurrences (John Justeson and Slava M. Katz) *IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin* **33.1B**:54–55.
- 1989 Crosslinguistic generalizations concerning the frication of *w* (John Justeson and Laurence D. Stephens). *International Journal of American Linguistics* **55**:247–254.
- 1988 The non-Maya calendars of Southern Veracruz and Tabasco and the antiquity of the long count and month count. *Journal of Mayan Linguistics* **6**:1–21.
- 1986 The origins of writing systems: Preclassic Mesoamerica. *World Archaeology* **17**:437–458. [“the best-written article I’ve received from an American” – comment by editor]
- 1985 Hieroglyphic evidence for Lowland Mayan linguistic history. *International Journal of American Linguistics* **51**:469–471.

- 1985 \*w > y in Chontal Mayan of Tabasco and generalizations concerning the palatalization of w. *International Journal of American Linguistics* **51**:311–327.
- 1984 On the relationship between the numbers of vowels and consonants in phonological systems (John Justeson and Laurence D. Stephens). *Linguistics* **22**:531–545.
- 1983 The seating of the *tun*: further evidence concerning a Late Preclassic Lowland Maya stela cult (John Justeson and Peter Mathews). *American Antiquity* **48**:586–593.
- 1981 Nasal + obstruent clusters in Hittite (John Justeson and Laurence D. Stephens). *Journal of the American Oriental Society* **101**:367–370.
- 1978 Reconstructing "Minoan" phonology: the approach from universals of language and universals of writing systems (Laurence D. Stephens and John Justeson). *Transactions of the American Philological Association* **108**:271–284.
- 1973 Limitations of archaeological inference: an information-theoretic approach with applications in methodology. *American Antiquity* **38**:131–149.

#### PEER-REVIEWED CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPH SERIES (10)

- 2015 Modelling indigenous Mesoamerican eclipse theory. In Anne Dowd and Susan Milbrath, eds., *Cosmology, Calendars, and Horizon-Based Astronomy in Ancient Mesoamerica*, pp. 301–349. Boulder: University of Colorado Press.
- 2010 Numerical cognition and the origin of 'zero' in Mesoamerica. In Iain Morley and Colin Renfrew, eds., *The Archaeology of Measurement: Comprehending Heaven, Earth and Time in Ancient Societies*, pp. 43–53. Cambridge University Press: Cambridge.
- 2008 The epi-Olmec tradition at Cerro de las Mesas in the Classic period. (John Justeson and Terrence Kaufman). In Christopher A. Pool and Philip J. Arnold, eds., *Classic Period Cultural Currents in Southern and Central Veracruz*, pp. 159–194. Washington, D.C. Dumbarton Oaks.
- 2008 The epi-Olmec language and its neighbors. (Terrence Kaufman and John Justeson). In Christopher A. Pool and Philip J. Arnold, eds., *Classic Period Cultural Currents in Southern and Central Veracruz*, pp. 55–83. Washington, D.C. Dumbarton Oaks.
- 2006 The history of the word for 'cacao' and related terms in ancient Meso-America. In Cameron L. McNeil, ed., *Chocolate in Mesoamerica: A Cultural History of Cacao*, pp. 117–139. Gainesville: University Press of Florida.
- 1994 Variation and change in symbol systems: case studies in Elamite cuneiform (John Justeson and Laurence D. Stephens). In *The Ancient Mind: Elements of Cognitive Archaeology*, ed.s Colin Renfrew and Ezra B.W. Zubrow, pp. 167–175. New Directions in Archaeology. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- 1978 A Mayan planetary observation (James A. Fox and John Justeson). In *University of California Archaeological Research Facility Contributions* **36**:55–59.
- 1977 Universals of language and universals of writing. In *Linguistic Studies Offered to Joseph Greenberg on the Occasion of his Sixtieth Birthday*, vol. 1:57–94. Edited by Alphonse Juilland, Andrew M. Devine, and Laurence D. Stephens. [To be reprinted in Berthold Riese, ed., *Cultural Embedding of Writing Systems* (translation of Chinese title): Qingdao, China (publisher not yet known).
- 1975 A method for the quick computation of calendar round positions. *Corpus of Maya Hieroglyphic Inscriptions* **1**:56–57.
- 1975 The identification of the emblem glyph of Yaxha, El Peten. *University of California Archaeological Research Facility Contributions* **27**:123–129.

#### CHAPTERS IN PEER-REVIEWED BOOKS (6)

- 1990 Representational conventions of Mayan hieroglyphic writing. In *The Language of Writing in the Mayan Area*, ed.s William Hanks and Don Rice, pp. 25–38. Salt Lake City: University of Utah Press.
- 1989 Ancient Maya ethnoastronomy: an overview of epigraphic sources. *World Archaeoastronomy*, ed. Anthony F. Aveni, pp. 76–129. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. [Reprinted in



- Anthony F. Aveni (2008), ed., *Foundations of New World Cultural Astronomy: A Reader*, pp. 509–564. University Press of Colorado: Boulder.]
- 1988 The Pomona flare: a preclassic Maya hieroglyphic text. In *Maya Iconography*, ed.s Elizabeth P. Benson and Gillett G. Griffin, pp. 94–151. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
- 1985 Closed models of open systems (John Justeson and Steven E. Hampson). *Archaeology of Frontiers and Boundaries*, ed.s Stanton W. Green and Stephen Perlman, pp. 15–30. New York: Academic Press.
- 1983 The foreign impact on Lowland Mayan language and script: a summary (John Justeson, William M. Norman, Lyle Campbell and Terrence Kaufman). In *Highland-Lowland Interaction in Mesoamerica: Interdisciplinary Approaches*, pp. 147–158. Edited by Arthur G. Miller. Washington: Dumbarton Oaks.
- 1980 Mayan hieroglyphs as linguistic evidence (James A. Fox and John Justeson). In *Third Palenque Round Table, 1978: Part 2*, pp. 204–216. Austin: University of Texas Press.

**SOLICITED CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS, HANDBOOKS, ENCYCLOPEDIAS, AND CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS (27)**

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2017 What the epi-Olmec texts say. Workshop presented at the 10th annual Maya at the Playa meeting, September 21, 2017; 3 hours. Flagler County, Florida.  
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2015 Mesoamerican eclipse prediction. Presentation to the Pre-Columbian Society at the University of Pennsylvania Museum, October 17, 2015. Philadelphia.  
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- 1977 Day names as personal names: indices of capture and enslavement in Mayan hieroglyphic and ethnohistoric texts. International Symposium on Maya Art, Architecture, Archaeology and Hieroglyphic Writing. Guatemala City.
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- 1976 Information trends and organizational indices in Mayan hieroglyphs and other writing systems. Symposium, 75th annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Washington.
- 1976 Scribal practice and language theory: a Norse runic test-case reconsidered. 3rd International Conference on Nordic and General Linguistics. Austin.
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