

## Curriculum Vitae

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#### A. Education

*Ph.D., Instructional Psychology and Technology, Brigham Young University, April 2013*  
*Concentrations:* Item Response Theory, Language Assessment, Technology in Teaching, Technology in Assessment, Teacher Education, Research and Evaluation  
*Dissertation:* Investigating prompt difficulty in an automatically scored speaking performance assessment

*M.A., Teaching English as a Second Language, Brigham Young University, 1996*  
*Thesis:* The effect of prequestions, proficiency level and passage length on listening comprehension test scores

*Certificate Teaching English as a Second Language, Brigham Young University, 1995*

*B.A., Linguistics, Brigham Young University, 1994*  
Class standing: Cum Laude

#### B. Academic Employment History

*Associate Director of Research and Assessment,*  
*Assistant Professor (Professional) of Linguistics and English Language, 2013–present*  
Center for Language Studies, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

*English as a Second Language Oral Proficiency Interviewer, 2006–present*  
LTI (Language Testing International), White Plains, NY

*Technology and Assessment Coordinator, 2006–2013*  
English Language Center, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

*Statistical and Test Development Consultant (Overload), 2011–2013*  
Center for Language Studies, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

*Evening Class Instructor, 2004–2008*  
Department of Linguistics and English Language, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

*Lab Coordinator/Testing Specialist/ Instructor, 1996–2006*  
English Language Center, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

*ESL Instructor, 1994–1996*  
English Language Center, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

*ESL Instructor, 1994–1996*  
Utah Valley State College, Orem UT

Research Assistant/Test Developer, 1994–1996  
Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

Consultant, 1993–2002

Power-glide Foreign Language Programs, Provo, UT

### **C. Scholarly Work Published**

#### *Journal Articles*

- Thompson, G., Cox, T. & Knapp, N. (2016) Comparing the OPI and the OPIc: The effect of test method on oral proficiency scores and student preferences. *Foreign Language Annals*, 49(1), 75-92
- Cox, T., Bown, J., & Burdis, J., (2015) Exploring proficiency-based versus language for specific purposes items with elicited imitation assessment. *Foreign Language Annals*, 48(3), 350-371.
- Mariana, V., Cox, T. & Melby, A. (2015) The Multidimensional Quality Metrics (MQM) framework: A new framework for translation quality assessment. *The Journal of Specialised Translation.*, 23, 137-161
- Cox, T. & Clifford, R. (2014). Empirical validation of listening proficiency guidelines. *Foreign Language Annals*, 47(3), 379-403.
- Brown, A., Dewey, D. & Cox, T. (2014). Assessing the Validity of Can-Do Statements in Retrospective (Then-Now) Self-Assessment. *Foreign Language Annals*, 47(2), 261-285.
- Evans, N., Hartshorn, K. J., Cox, T. & Martin, T. (2014) Measures of written linguistic accuracy: Questions of reliability, validity, and practicality. *Journal of Second Language Writing*, 24, 33-50
- Eggington, W. & Cox, T. (2013). Using elicited oral response testing to measure speaking and listening proficiency in order to determine the need for an interpreter. *Harvard Latino Law Review*. In Press
- Clifford, R. & Cox, T. (2013). Empirical validation of reading proficiency guidelines. *Foreign Language Annals*, 40(1), 45-61.
- Cox, T. & Davies, R. (2012) Using automatic speech recognition technology with elicited oral response testing. *CALICO Journal*, 29(4), 601-618

#### *Book Chapters*

- Cox, T. L., & Davies, R. S. (2016). From Standards to Rubrics: Comparing Full-Range to At-Level Applications of an Item-Level Scoring Rubric on an Oral Proficiency Assessment. In *Pacific Rim Objective Measurement Symposium (PROMS) 2015 Conference Proceedings* (pp. 215-238). Springer Singapore.
- Dewey, D., Clifford, R & Cox, T. (2015) L1, L2, and Cognitive Development: Exploring Relationships. In T. Brown and J. Bown (Eds.) *To Advanced Proficiency and Beyond: Theory and Methods for Developing Superior Second-Language Ability*, Georgetown University Press.

Cox, T., McMurry, B. & McCollum, R. (2010) iDeas for iPods, in B. Baurain & P. Ha (Eds.) *TESOL Classroom Practice Series on Multilevel/Mixed-Ability Settings* (pp. 93-100). TESOL Classroom Practice Series.

Cox, T. (1995) Internet movie database, In M. Warschauer (Ed.) *Virtual Connections: Online Activities and Projects for Networking* (pp. 283-285), Second Language Teaching & Curriculum Center, University of Hawaii Press.

#### **D. Scholarly Work Accepted for Publication**

##### *Journal Articles*

Cox, T. (2017) Understanding Intermediate-level Speakers Strengths and Weaknesses: An Examination of OPIc Tests from Korean Learners of English. *Foreign Language Annals*, 50(1), XX-XX

Cox, T., Bown, J., & Burdis, J. (2017) Elicited imitation as a predictor of language proficiency for learners of Russian. *Russian Language Journal*

##### *Encyclopedia Entries*

Cox, T. (2017) Standardized Testing in Reading. *TESOL Encyclopedia for English Language Teaching*

##### *Book Chapters*

Cox, T., Bown, J., Bell, T & Evans, J. (in progress) Does the question language in advanced L2 reading proficiency assessments make a difference? In S. Gass & P. Winke (Eds.) *Foreign Language Proficiency in Higher Education* (working title). Springer Publishing, New York.

#### **E. Scholarly Work Submitted for Publication**

Ma, J., Henrichsen, L., Tanner, M. & Cox, T. (under review) Pronunciation's Role in English Speaking Test Ratings. *Journal of Second Language Pronunciation*.

Barrows, J. & Cox, T. (under review) The Effect of Prompt Accent on Elicited Imitation Assessments in English as a Second Language. *Language Testing*.

#### **F. Professional Reports**

Cox, T. (2015) *Findings of the ACTFL-CREDU Research Project: Linguistic Profiles of Korean Speakers of English*. White paper submitted to ACTFL.

Cox, T. (2015) *The ACTFL Assessment of Performance Toward Proficiency In Languages (AAPPL) Validation 2014*. White paper submitted to ACTFL.

Clifford, R. & Cox, T. (2011) *Tri-Service academies ABC research and development: Reading and listening tests in Chinese and Spanish*. Research report submitted to ACTFL/BYU/CAL Tri-Service Academies (Airforce, Navy and Westpoint) Project.

Cox, T. (2010) *Recommendation on the TOEFL iBT requirement for admittance into BYU*. Research report submitted to Brigham Young University International Admissions Office.

## **G. Scholarly Works in Progress**

- Smemoe-Baker, W. & Cox, T. (in progress) The relationship between native and second language fluency across different proficiency levels and native languages.
- Tanner, M., C. Jolley, L. Henrichsen and T. Cox (in progress) The effect of computer-aided pronunciation on ESL learners' perception and production of prosodic feature in a short-term ESP course.
- Zhao, K. & Cox, T. (in progress) Investigating the effect of rater's second language learning background and familiarity with examinee's native language on speaking test scores.
- Summers, M. & Cox, T. (in progress) Using self-assessment of language ability as a measure of proficiency
- Decker, L. & Cox, T. (in progress) Effects of changing TOEFL cut scores: The impact of raising the bar.

## **H. Professional Papers and Presentations (since 2013)**

### *International Conferences*

- Thompson, G., & Cox, T. (2016) *Understanding the OPI and OPIc: Student Characteristics and Language Use*. Paper presented at 2016 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. Boston, MA, USA
- Summers, M., Cox, T. & McMurray, B. (2016) *To Thine Own Self Be True: How Well Do Can-Do Statements Predict Ability?* Paper presented at 2016 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. Boston, MA, USA
- Decker, L. & T. Cox (2016) *Effects of Changing TOEFL Cut-off Scores: The Impact of Raising the Bar*. Poster at the presented at LTRC 38<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the Language Testing Research Colloquium. Palermo, Italy.
- Cox, T., J. Hart, & J. Barrows (2016) *Elicited Imitation: A Practical Way To Approach the Intersection of Listening and Speaking*. Invited paper at the TESOL 48<sup>th</sup> annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Baltimore, MD, USA
- Cox, T. & K. Zhao (2016) *Investigating the Effect of Rater's Second Language Learning Background and Familiarity with Examinee's Native Language on Speaking Test Scores: A Pilot Study*. Poster at the annual conference of the American Association of Applied Linguistics. Orlando, FL, USA.
- Decker, L. & T. Cox (2016) *Effects of Changing TOEFL Cut-off Scores: The Impact of Raising the Bar*. Paper at the annual conference of the American Association of Applied Linguistics. Orlando, FL, USA.
- Brown, A., Thompson, G. & T. Cox (2016) *The Discourse of the ACTFL OPI and the OPIc: Apples and Oranges?* Paper at the annual conference of the American Association of Applied Linguistics. Orlando, FL, USA.
- Brown, A., Thompson, G. & T. Cox (2016) *A Comparative Discourse Analysis the ACTFL OPI and the OPIc*. Paper at the Georgetown University Roundtable on Linguistics (GURT). Washington, DC, USA.

- Nielson, J., Dewey, D., & T. Cox (2016) *Second-language self-assessment: The influence of video demonstrations on their accuracy*. Paper at the Georgetown University Roundtable on Linguistics (GURT). Washington, DC, USA.
- Thompson, G., Cox, T., Stokes, S. & Knapp, N. (2015) *Contrasting the OPI and OPIc: Preferences, Strategies, and Scores*. Paper presented at 2015 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. San Diego, CA, USA
- Cox, T., Evans, J. & Bown, J. (2015) *Does the Question Language in Advanced L2 Reading Tests Matter?* Paper presented at 2015 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. San Diego, CA, USA.
- Conrad, D. & Cox, T. (2015) *A Validity Study of AAPPL*. Paper presented at 2015 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. San Diego, CA, USA.
- Martin, C., Cox, T. & Hirsch, B. (2015) *Oral Proficiency Profiles of Intermediate-level Learners of English*. Paper presented at 2015 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. San Diego, CA, USA.
- Cox, T. & Clifford, R. (2015) *The Language Certificate: Encouraging Foreign Language Proficiency for All University Students*. Paper presented at the first annual meeting and conference of the Consortium on Useful Assessment in Language and Humanities Education, Georgetown University, Washington, DC, USA.
- Cox, T. (2015) *From Standards to Rubrics: Comparing Full-range to At-level Applications of an Item-level Scoring Rubric on an Oral Proficiency Assessment*. Paper presented at Pacific Rim Objective Measurement Symposium, Fukuoka, Japan.
- Kangas, S. & Hellmich, E (Organizers) Farrell, E., Cox, T. Fagan, D, Ennsanen, H., Hartshorn, J. & Pearson P. (Invited Panelists). (2015) Navigating the job search: Getting started and staying organized. Graduate student colloquium at the annual conference of the American Association of Applied Linguistics. Toronto, ON, Canada.
- Barrows, J. & Cox, T. (2015) The effects of adding multiple accents to the prompts of elicited imitation assessments. Roundtable discussion at the annual conference of the American Association of Applied Linguistics. Toronto, ON, Canada.
- Porter, D., Cox, T., & Thompson, G. (2015) Assessing Oral Proficiency: Effect of Test Method, Preparation, Language Background, and Preferences on Spanish Oral Proficiency Exam Scores. Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Association of Applied Linguistics. Toronto, ON, Canada.
- Clifford, R., Cox, T., Martin, C. & Swender, E. (2014) *"Floor and ceiling" rating of reading and listening proficiency*. Paper presented at 2014 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. San Antonio, TX, USA
- Cox, T., Thompson, G. & Knapp, K. (2014) *Assessing language proficiency: Effect of speaking test method on oral proficiency exam scores*. Paper presented at 2014 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. San Antonio, TX, USA

- Cox, T. & Evans, J. (2014) *Does question language (QL) make a difference? An investigation into the effect of the QL on reading ability, confidence and anxiety in a Russian as a Second Language Reading Proficiency Test*. Works in Progress Paper presented at LTRC 36<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the Language Testing Research Colloquium. Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- Barrows, J. & Cox, T. (2014) *Improving the reliability of ASR rating in elicited imitation assessments*. Works in Progress Paper presented at LTRC 36<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the Language Testing Research Colloquium. Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- Cox, T., Thompson, G. & Knapp, K. (2014) *Assessing language proficiency: Effect of speaking test method on oral proficiency exam scores*. Paper presented at LTRC 36<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the Language Testing Research Colloquium. Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- Cox, T. & Davies R. (2014) *Constructing elicited oral response items for an English speaking proficiency screening test*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Association of Applied Linguistics. Portland, OR, USA.
- Clifford R & Cox, T. (2014) *Comparing Full-range to At-level Applications of an Item-Level Scoring Rubric on a Speaking Performance Assessment*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Association of Applied Linguistics. Portland, OR, USA.
- Cox, T. & Clifford R. (2013) *Defining and testing proficient listening*. Paper presented at 2013 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. Orlando, FL, USA.
- Cox, T. (2013) *Investigating Prompt Difficulty in an Automatically Scored Speaking Performance Assessment*. Works in Progress Paper presented at LTRC 35<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the Language Testing Research Colloquium. Seoul, Korea.
- Cox, T. & Smemoe-Baker, W. (2013) *The relationship between L1 fluency and L2 fluency across different proficiency levels and L1s*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the American Association of Applied Linguistics. Dallas, TX, USA.
- Cox, T. (2013) *Handheld/Portable Projectors: An Emerging Technology*. Poster presented at TESOL 45<sup>th</sup> annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Dallas, TX, USA.

#### *Presentations at Regional Conferences*

- Cox, T., Jones, R. & Lund, R. (2015) *Validating the Reading Proficiency Exam*. The 21<sup>st</sup> Germanic Linguistics Annual Conference, Provo, UT (May 8-9)
- Cox, T., Bown, J. & Burdis, J. (2015) *Constructing a Russian Elicited Imitation Exam To Measure Language Proficiency*. Paper presented at ECOLT annual convention of East Coast Organization of Language Testers. Georgetown, DC, USA.
- Cox, T. & Clifford R. (2013) *Constructing elicited oral response items for an English speaking proficiency screening test*. Paper presented at ECOLT annual convention of East Coast Organization of Language Testers. Georgetown, DC, USA.

#### *Invited Workshop/Presentations*

- Cox, T. & McMurry, B. (2016) *Systematic Approaches to Training Raters of ESL Speaking & Writing*. Pre-Convention Institute conducted for TESOL 48th annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Baltimore, MD, USA.
- Cox, T. & Clifford R. (2015) *Defining and Testing Proficient Reading*. American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, San Diego, CA (November 19)
- Cox, T. (2015) *Measured Language: Assessing Proficiency in Less Commonly Taught Languages*. University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA (October 22)
- Cox, T. (2015) *Assessing students using placement tests*. The 21<sup>st</sup> Germanic Linguistics Annual Conference, Provo, UT (May 8-9)
- Cox, T. (2015) *The ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines in Research and Teaching*. 21<sup>st</sup> Germanic Linguistics Annual Conference, Provo, UT (May 8-9)
- Hart, J. and Cox, T., (2015) *Systematic Approaches to Training Raters of ESL Speaking & Writing*. Pre-Convention Institute conducted for TESOL 47th annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Toronto, ON, USA.
- Cox, T. & Clifford, R. (2014) *Making a computer adaptive test: What shirts, tunnels and hurdles (and bikes) teach us*. Bureau for International Language Coordination (BILC) Professional Seminar. Ellwangen, Germany.
- Cox, T. & Clifford, R. (2014) *Placing students with different language ability profiles*. Bureau for International Language Coordination (BILC) Professional Seminar. Ellwangen, Germany.
- Cox, T. (2014) *Constructing proficiency screening tests: Advice from the trenches*. Workshop conducted for NATO-BILC Bureau for International Language Coordination. Marshall Center, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany.
- Cox, T., Hart, J. and Greer, B. (2014) *A program-wide approach to training teachers to rate student writing*. Pre-Convention Institute conducted for TESOL 46th annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Portland, OR, USA.
- Cox, T. (2013) *Making a computer adaptive test (CAT): What shirts, tunnels, and hurdles teach us*. Plenary for SWALLT annual convention of Southwest Association for Language Learning Technology. Provo, UT.
- Cox, T. (2013) *Making a computer adaptive test (CAT): What shirts, tunnels, and hurdles teach us*. Higher Education Interest Section presenter for ITESOL annual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, Salt Lake City, UT, USA.

#### *ACTFL-Sponsored Workshops*

- Cox, T. (2016) *OPI MOPI 2- Day Workshop*. Westminster Christian Academy, St. Louis, MO (October 24-25)
- Cox, T. (2016) *OPI Enhanced Assessment 4 Day Workshop*. Portland School District, Portland, OR (June 14-17)
- Cox, T. (2016) *OPI Assessment 4 Day Workshop*. Brigham Young University, Provo, UT (June 7-10)

- Cox, T. (2016) *OPI Assessment 4 Day Workshop*. Brigham Young University-Hawaii, Laie, HI (May 9-12)
- Cox, T. (2016) *OPI Assessment 4 Day Workshop*. Brigham Young University, Provo, UT (April 25-29)
- Cox, T. (2015) *OPI Assessment 4 Day Workshop*. Brigham Young University, Provo, UT (June 9-12)
- Cox, T. (2015) *OPI Assessment 4 Day Workshop*. Brigham Young University-Hawaii, Laie, HI (June 1-4)
- Cox, T. (2015) *OPI Familiarization 1 Day Workshop*. Southwest Conference on Language Teaching. Denver, CO (February, 26).

### **I. Professional Papers and Presentations (prior to 2013)**

#### *International Conferences*

- Cox, T. & Smemoe-Baker, W. (2012) *The relationship between L1 fluency and L2 fluency across different proficiency levels and L1s*. Paper presented at Workshop Fluent Speech hosted at Utrecht University, Utrecht, Netherlands.
- Clifford, R. & Cox, T. (2012) *Defining and testing reading proficiency*. Paper presented at 2012 ACTFL annual convention of American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. Philadelphia, PA, USA.
- Cox, T. (2012) *Examining task effect on automatically scored fluency features: A language tester's perspective*. Paper presented at CALICO annual convention Computer Assisted Language Instruction Consortium. South Bend, IN, USA.
- Cox, T. (2012) *Smart technology: What you need to know when the computer grades speaking*. Invited interest section paper presented at TESOL 44th annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Philadelphia, PA, USA.
- Cox, T. (2012) *Measuring speaking ability through elicited and spontaneous speech with automated scoring*. Poster presented at LTRC 34<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the Language Testing Research Colloquium. Princeton, NJ, USA.
- Cox, T. & Eggington, W. (2012) *Measuring language ability in legal contexts with elicited oral response and automatic speech recognition*. Paper presented at GURT Measured Language Conference, Georgetown University Round Table on Languages and Linguistics. Georgetown, DC, USA.
- Cox, T. & LeGare, M. (2012) *Measured speech: Elicited imitation, spontaneous speech and automated scoring*. Poster presented at GURT Measured Language Conference, Georgetown University Round Table on Languages and Linguistics. Georgetown, DC, USA.
- Evans, N., Hartshorn, K. J., Cox, T. & Martin, T. (2012) *Measuring written linguistic accuracy: A question of reliability, validity, and practicality*. Paper presented at GURT Measured Language Conference, Georgetown University Round Table on Languages and Linguistics. Georgetown, DC, USA.



- Cox, T., Eggington, W. & Wood, S. (2011) *Elicited imitation as a determiner of the need for a court interpreter*. Paper presented at IAFL 10<sup>th</sup> biennial conference of the International Association of Forensic Linguistics. Birmingham, England, UK.
- Eggington, W., Cox, T. & Wood, S. (2011) *The consequences of faked comprehension in interrogation settings*. Paper presented at IAFL 10<sup>th</sup> biennial conference of the International Association of Forensic Linguistics. Birmingham, England, UK.
- Cox, T. & Graham, R. (2011) *Elicited Imitation (EI): A comparison of different scoring methods*. Poster presented at LTRC 33<sup>rd</sup> annual convention of the Language Testing Research Colloquium. Ann Arbor, MI, USA.
- Cox, T., Hart, J & Blanco, S. (2011) *Elicited imitation in the classroom: Not just for psycholinguists anymore*. Paper presented at TESOL 43rd annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. New Orleans, LA, USA.
- Cox, T (2010) *Measuring second language speaking proficiency through elicited imitation (EI) with automatic speech recognition (ASR)*. Paper presented at AECT annual convention for the Association for Educational Communications and Technology. Anaheim, CA, USA.
- Cox, T (2010) *Assessing ESL teacher attitudes to integrating technology in teaching*. Paper presented at TESOL 42nd annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Anaheim, CA, USA.
- Cox, T (2010) *Assessing ESL teacher attitudes to integrating technology in teaching*. Paper presented at TESOL 42nd annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Boston, MA, USA.
- Cox, T (2009) *Integrating CALL in teacher training*. Paper presented at TESOL 42nd annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Denver, CO, USA.
- Cox, T (2008) *Using computer lab internships to train future teachers*. Paper presented at CALICO annual convention Computer Assisted Language Instruction Consortium. San Francisco, CA, USA.
- Cox, T., McMurry, B. & McCollum, R. (2007) *iDeas for iPods*. Paper presented at TESOL 41st annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Seattle, WA, USA.
- Strong-Krause, D. & Cox, T (2006) *Challenges of implementing intensive English program (IEP) achievement exams*. Paper presented at TESOL 40th annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Tampa, FL, USA.
- Cox, T. (2002) *Using computerized oral tests in an ESL environment*. Paper presented at CALICO annual convention Computer Assisted Language Instruction Consortium. Davis, CA, USA.
- Cox, T. (2000) *BYU placement exams*. Paper presented at TESOL 34th annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- Cox, T. (1999) *The effect of prequestions on testing listening comprehension*. Paper presented at TESOL 33rd annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. New York, NY, USA.

- Cox, T. & Cluff, J. (1999) *Hiring nonnative English speakers in intensive English programs*. Paper presented at TESOL 33rd annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. New York, NY, USA.
- Strong-Krause, D. & Cox, T. (1997) *Using computer-adaptive exams for placement into ESOL programs*. Paper presented at TESOL 31st annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Orlando, FL, USA.
- Gillie, J.W., Garzola, Y., Graham, C. R., Jones, D., Newton, E., & Cox, T. (1997) *Maximizing outside resources in a win-win situation*. Paper presented at TESOL 31st annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. New York, NY, USA.

#### *Presentations at Regional Conferences*

- Cox, T. & Clifford, R. (2012) *The use of testlet response theory in criterion-referenced, computer adaptive, listening and reading proficiency tests*. Paper presented at ECOLT annual convention of East Coast Organization of Language Testers. Georgetown, DC, USA.
- Clifford, R. & Cox, T. (2011) *Defining, teaching and testing reading proficiency*. Paper presented at ITESOL annual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Salt Lake City, UT, USA.
- Evans, N., Hartshorn, K. J., Cox, T. & Martin, T. (2011) *Measuring written linguistic accuracy: A question of reliability, validity, and practicality*. Paper presented at ITESOL annual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, Salt Lake City, UT, USA.
- Cox, T. (2007) *To teach to the test or not to?* Paper presented at ITESOL annual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Twin Falls, ID, USA
- Cox, T., McMurry, B. & McCollum, R. (2006) *iPods & ESL: Finding, using, & creating podcasts*. Paper presented at ITESOL annual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Kaysville, UT, USA
- Cox, T. & Stamps, S. (2005) *Computerizing the training of raters for speaking tests*. Paper presented at RM-TESOL annual convention of Rocky Mountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Salt Lake City, UT, USA.
- Cox, T. (2003) *Using computer programs in the ESL classroom*. Paper presented at ITESOL biannual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Salt Lake City, UT, USA
- Cox, T. (2003) *Using computer programs in the K-12 ESL classroom*. Paper presented at ITESOL biannual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Salt Lake City, UT, USA
- Cox, T. (2001) *Using technology to activate schema in reading*. Paper presented at DLLS annual convention of the Deseret Language and Linguistics Society. Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, USA.

Cox, T. (2000) *Using technology to activate schema in reading*. Paper presented at ITESOL biannual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Salt Lake City, UT, USA.

Gillie, J.W., Garzola, Y., Graham, C. R., Jones, D., Newton, E., & Cox, T. (1997) *No IEP is an island*. Paper presented at RM- TESOL annual convention of Rocky Mountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Salt Lake City, UT, USA.

Cox, T. (1996) *Computerized adaptive placement testing: A demonstration*. ITESOL biannual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Ogden, Utah, USA.

#### *Invited Workshop/Presentations*

Cox, T. (2012) *Introduction to criterion-referenced item analysis and Winsteps*. Workshop conducted for NATO-BILC Bureau for International Language Coordination. Marshall Center, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany.

Cox, T. (2012) *Speaking the same language: Are we using the same testing terminology?* Workshop conducted for NATO-BILC Bureau for International Language Coordination. Marshall Center, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany.

Eckstein, G., Evans, N., Hartshorn, J., Cox, T., McMurry, B., and Lee, M. (2011) *How to change, improve, or create an ESL/EFL curriculum*. Pre-Convention Institute conducted for TESOL 43rd annual convention of Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. New Orleans, LA, USA.

Cox, T. (2011) *Jumpstart into language testing*. Workshop conducted for ITESOL annual convention of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, Ogden, UT, USA.

Eckstein, G., Evans, N., Hartshorn, J., Cox, T., McMurry, B., and Lee, M. (2011) *How to change, improve, or create an ESL/EFL curriculum*. Workshop conducted for ITESOL Higher Education interest section meeting of Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages. Salt Lake City, UT, USA.

## **J. Certifications & Training**

2015, ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) OPI (Oral Proficiency Interviews) Tester and Trainer Certification

2010, ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) OPI (Oral Proficiency Interviews) Tester Certification

2006, ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) OPI (Oral Proficiency Interviews) Tester Certification

## **K. Citizenship**

### *University*

Institutional Review Board, Alternate Member, 2013 to present

### *College*

Language Acquisition Research Colloquium (LARC), Coordinator, 2014 to present

### *Department*

TESOL Interest Section Committee Member (2013 to Present)  
Institutional Review Board, English Language Center Subcommittee Chair, 1997 to 2013

### *Professional*

Program Editor, Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2009–2014  
Past-President, Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2010–2011

President, Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2009–2010

1st Vice President (Program Chair), Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2008–2009

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2007–2008

Webmaster, Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2004–2008

Steering Committee, CALL (Computer Assisted Language Learning) Interest Section, Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2008–2011

Electronic Village Committee, CALL (Computer Assisted Language Learning) Interest Section, Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2007–2011

Higher Education Interest Section Chair, Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2003–2005

Higher Education Interest Section Vice-Chair, Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of other Languages, 2002–2003

## **L. Teaching**

### *ESL at the English Language Center*

Grammar (Intermediate)

Listening/Speaking (Intermediate Low and Advanced)

Reading (Intermediate Low and Advanced)

Writing (Intermediate Low and Advanced)

### *Teacher Training*

LING 461—Language Assessment in TESOL (4 times)

LING 660—Language Testing (3 times, cross-listed twice with SLAT 604 & SPAN 676)

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