



## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Academic Qualifications:

2007-2012 PhD studies, University College London. Viva voce completed with recommendation for minor revisions. Unimodal bilingualism in the Deaf community: contact between dialects of BSL and ISL in Australia and the United Kingdom.

2006 MA, Applied Linguistics, Monash University, Australia

1996 BA, (Linguistics and English Literature) La Trobe University, Australia

1992 BEd, (Languages Other Than English) La Trobe University, Australia

### Vocational Qualifications:

2013 American Sign Language Proficiency Interview score: 4 (out of a possible 5).  
Level 6 NVQ Diploma in Sign Language Interpreting (British Sign Language/American Sign Language)

2012 Level 6 NVQ Diploma in Sign Language Translation (British Sign Language/English)

2005 A1 Assessor qualification (City and Guilds)

2005 Level 4 NVQ in British Sign Language

2000 Certificate 4 in Training and Workplace Assessment (Australia)

### Markers of Esteem/Advisory roles:

#### Current:

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2001-2003 Board Member, World Federation of the Deaf Regional Secretariat – Asia/Pacific

1998-2000 Board Member, The Deaf Society of NSW

1998-2003 President, NSW Association of the Deaf

1997-1998 Member of the Reference Group: Auslan Resources Project 1997: funded by Office of Training and Further Education (Victoria).

1995-1999 Member, Organising Committee of the XIII World Congress of the World Federation of the Deaf

1995-2003 Member of the Australian Sign Language Panel - National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters.

1995-1996 Member of the Auslan Common Assessment Task panel for the Victorian Board of Studies, Languages Other Than English Key Learning Area, State Government of Victoria.

1993-1996	Auslan Accreditation Panel - Languages Other Than English, Australian Sign Language, Directorate of School Education, State Government of Victoria
1992-1997	Executive Secretary, Australian Deaf Basketball Association (now Deaf Basketball Australia)
1989-2003	Board Member of the Australian Association of the Deaf, Secretary from 1994-1996, Treasurer from 1997 and President from 1999
1988-1990	Secretary of the Victorian Deaf Basketball Association
1987-1988	Member, Asia Pacific Co-ordinating Committee of the 2nd World Federation of the Deaf Regional Secretariat Asia/Pacific and the 3rd Asia/Pacific Deaf Soccer Championship
1987-1994	Executive Committee, Victorian Council of Deaf People, Secretary from 1988-1990 and President from 1990-1994

### **Community Awards:**

1998	<u>Certificate of Appreciation</u> in recognition of dedication and contribution to the well-being of the Victorian Deaf Community.
1999	<u>Life Member</u> of the Australian Association of the Deaf in recognition of ten years of service to the Association and to the Deaf Community in Australia. I was the first recipient of this honour in the history of the Association.
1999	<u>Deaf Professional of the Year</u> , awarded by the New South Wales Association of the Deaf.

### **Policy Paper:**

1992	Australian Association of the Deaf Education Policy, distributed to more than 70 countries and adopted by some National Associations of Deaf people
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### **Reviewer:**

2015	European Forum of Sign Language Interpreters, Warsaw, Poland, 11 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> September 2015.
2015	10 <sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Bilingualism – Rutgers University, New Jersey, USA. 20-24 May 2015.
2014	Sign 7 conference, Zhongzhou University, China 12-15 <sup>th</sup> October 2014
2013	9 <sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Bilingualism – Nanyang University of Technology, Singapore, 10-13 June 2013.
2013	Sign Language Studies
2012	Journal of Deaf Studies and Deaf Education
2012	'Power and Responsibility in the field of Sign Language Interpreting.' efsli conference, 14-16 September, 2012, Vienna, Austria
2011	Sign 5 conference, Ankara, Turkey, 21-23 October, 2011.
2009	'Let's Participate', a good practice manual on "participation" for children is jointly prepared by WHO and UNICEF in response to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Convention on the Rights of the Child, as a member of the World Federation of the Deaf Expert Panel on Sign Language.
2009	Channon, Rachel & Harry van der Hulst (eds.). Formational Units in Sign

## Peer-reviewed presentations:

### 2013

**Adam, Robert.** (2013). *Code-switching and code-mixing in unimodal language contact*. Poster presentation given at the Theoretical Issues in Sign Language Research Conference, London England, 10-13 July, 2013.

**Adam, Robert.** (2013). *Unimodal bilingualism in the Australian Deaf community: language contact between Australian Sign Language and Australian Irish Sign Language*. Poster presentation given at the Theoretical Issues in Sign Language Research Conference, London England, 10-13 July, 2013.

**Adam, Robert.** (2013). *Cognate facilitation and switching costs in unimodal bilingualism: British Sign Language and Irish Sign Language*. Paper given at the International Symposium of Bilingualism (ISB) 9, Singapore, Singapore, 12 June, 2013.

### 2012

Cormier, Kearsy, Jordan Fenlon, Trevor Johnston, Ramas Rentelis, Adam Schembri, Katherine Rowley, **Robert Adam** and Bencie Woll. (2012). *From corpus to lexical database to online dictionary: Issues in annotation of the BSL Corpus and the development of BSL SignBank*. Paper to be presented at the 5th Workshop on the representation and processing of sign languages: Interactions between corpus and lexicon [workshop part of 8th International Conference on Language Resources and Evaluation], Istanbul, Turkey, 27 May 2012.

**Adam, Robert.** (2012). *Language contact between two sign languages in Australia and the United Kingdom*. Paper presented at the Bilingual and Multilingual Interaction conference, ESRC Centre for Research on Bilingualism, 30 March-1 April 2012.

Cormier, Kearsy, **Robert Adam**, Katherine Rowley, Bencie Woll and Joanna Atkinson. (2012). *The British Sign Language Sentence Reproduction Test: Exploring age-of-acquisition effects in British deaf adults*. Paper presented at the 34th Annual Conference of the German Linguistic Society ([DGfS](#)) Goethe-University Frankfurt am Main, 6th – 9th March 2012.

### 2011

**Adam, Robert**, and Christopher Stone. (2011) *Are Deaf interpreters a part of the Global Deaf renaissance or the Global Deaf resistance?* Paper given at the XVI World Congress of the World Federation of the Deaf, Durban, South Africa, 23 July 2011.

Hajredini, Habit, Enver Kurtalani and **Robert Adam**. (2011) *Kosovo Sign Language recognition: how we achieved this!* Paper given at the XVI World Congress of the World Federation of the Deaf, Durban, South Africa, 20 July 2011.

- Adam, Robert.** (2011) *Do we agree on the role of a Deaf interpreter?* Paper given at the World Association of Sign Language Interpreters conference, Durban, South Africa, 15 July 2011.
- Adam, Robert.** (2011). *Unimodal bilingualism in Irish Sign Language and British Sign Language.* Paper given at the International Symposium of Bilingualism (ISB8), Oslo, Norway, 15 June, 2011.
- Adam, Robert.** (2011) *Current Research and the Australian Deaf Community – what can we find out?* Keynote paper, Deaf Australia Conference 2011, Hobart, Tasmania, Australia, 14 May 2011.

## 2010

- Adam, Robert.** (2010). *Do we agree on the roles, knowledge and skills set of a Deaf interpreter?* Workshop given at the Association of Sign Language Interpreters conference – Developing the Interpreter: developing the profession. Nottingham, 17 October, 2010.

## 2009

- Stone, Christopher and **Robert Adam.** (2009) *Deaf interpreters in the community: Deaf clubs to Deaf/non-Deaf partnerships, at Interpreting in Specialist Settings,* SLIANZ Conference, 3rd-5th July 2009, Wellington, New Zealand.

## 2008

- Adam, Robert.** (2008), Deaf Australians: *Deafhood, colonialism and the Australian Deaf Community - some thoughts.* Australasian Deaf Studies Research Symposium III – Deaf Identities in a time of change, Sydney, Australia 20 September 2008.
- Adam, Robert,** Breda Carty, and Christopher Stone. (2008) *Deaf Translators from within the Deaf Community.* Paper given at the Australian Sign Language Interpreters Association National Conference, Darwin, Australia 11 August 2008.
- Stone, Christopher, and **Robert Adam.** (2008) *Deaf Interpreters in the community – the missing link?* Paper given at the Conference of Interpreter Training, Puerto Rico: 'Putting the Pieces Together: A collaborative approach to Educational Excellence'. October 23, 2008.
- Orfanidou, Eleni, **Robert Adam,** James McQueen, and Gary Morgan. (2008). *Mind the gap: transitions as segmentation cues in British Sign Language.* 14th Annual Conference in Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing, Cambridge, September 4-6, 2008.
- Adam, Robert.** (2008). *Mouthing in language contact between two sign languages.* Paper given at Interdisciplinary approaches to transfer, crosslinguistic influence and contact-induced change workshop, UWE Bristol, 9-11 July 2008.
- Adam, Robert.** Senan Dunne, and Juan Carlos Druetta (2008) *Where have Deaf interpreters come from and where are we going?* Paper given at the Association of Sign Language Interpreters Conference, London, 5-6 April, 2008.

## 2007

- Adam, Robert.** Breda Carty, and Christopher Stone. (2007). *Deaf Translators from within the Deaf Community*. Scottish Association of Sign Language Interpreters conference, Edinburgh, Scotland 6 October 2007
- Orfanidou, Eleni, **Robert Adam**, James M. McQueen, and Gary Morgan. (2007). *The Sign Segmentation Project*. Paper given at the XV World Congress of the World Federation of the Deaf, Madrid, Spain. July 21, 2007.
- Orfanidou, Eleni, **Robert Adam**, James McQueen, and Gary Morgan. (2007). *The Sign Segmentation Project*. Paper given at the 20<sup>th</sup> CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, San Diego, USA, March 30, 2007.

## 2003

- Robinson, Sally and **Robert Adam**. (2003). *Cultures of disability and deafness: rethinking links between the disability movement and the deaf community*. Paper given at the Australian Social Policy Conference, University of NSW. (<http://www2.sprc.unsw.edu.au/ASPC2003/papers/Paper248.pdf>)

## 2000

- Schembri, Adam, Trevor Johnston and **Robert Adam**. (2000). *Noun-verb pairs in Auslan and ASL*. Paper presented at the Seventh International Conference on Theoretical Issues in Sign Language Research, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, July 23-27, 2000.
- Schembri, Adam, and **Robert Adam**. (2000). *Polymorphemic verbs of motion and location in Auslan and ASL*. Poster presented at the Seventh International Conference on Theoretical Issues in Sign Language Research, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, July 23-27, 2000.
- Schembri, A, **Robert Adam**, Trevor Johnston, Gillian Wigglesworth, Roz Barker, and Gregory R. Leigh. (2000). *The Test Battery for Auslan Morphology and Syntax Project*. Paper presented at the 19th International Congress on Education of the Deaf, Sydney Convention Centre, Sydney, July 9-13, 2000.
- Schembri, Adam and **Robert Adam**. (2000). *Rethinking "classifiers" in signed languages*. Paper presented at the Classifier Constructions in Sign Languages workshop, Salk Institute for Biological Studies, California, USA, April 14-16, 2000.
- Schembri, Adam and **Robert Adam**. (2000). *Polymorphemic verbs of motion and location in Auslan and ASL*. Paper presented at the Classifier Constructions in Sign Languages workshop, Salk Institute for Biological Studies, California, USA, April 14-16, 2000.

## 1999

- Day, Linda, Frances Elton, and **Robert Adam**. (1999) *A Linguistic Comparison of British Sign Language and Auslan*. (data collection). Paper given at the XIII World Congress of the World Federation of the Deaf, July 25-31, 1999.
- McKee, David, Rachel McKee, Adam Schembri and **Robert Adam**. (1999). *Name signs in New Zealand Sign Language and Australian Sign Language*. Paper

presented at The XIII World Congress of the World Federation of the Deaf, Brisbane, July 25-31, 1999.

## 1998

- Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam**, Trevor Johnston, Gillian Wigglesworth, Roz Barker and Gregory R. Leigh. (1998). *The Test Battery for Auslan Morphology and Syntax Project*. Paper presented at the Sixth International Conference on Theoretical Issues in Sign Language Research, Gallaudet University, Washington, USA, November 13-15, 1998.
- Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam**, Trevor Johnston, Gillian Wigglesworth, Roz Barker and Gregory R. Leigh. (1998) *The Test Battery for Auslan Morphology and Syntax Project*. Paper given at the Institute for German Sign Language and Communication of the Deaf, Hamburg University, Germany, November 20, 1998.
- Napier, Jemina, and **Robert Adam**. (1998) *Sign Language Interpreter Accreditation and Training in Australia*. Paper given at the Conference of Interpreter Trainers, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA.
- Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam**, and Trevor Johnston. (1998). *The Auslan Dictionary on CD-ROM*. Paper presented at the Australasian Deaf Studies Research Symposium, Renwick College, August, 1998, Sydney.
- Napier, Jemina, and **Robert Adam**, (1998) *A Linguistic Analysis of BSL and Auslan Interpreting*. Paper given at the 1st Australasian Deaf Studies Research Symposium, Renwick College, Sydney, Australia.

## 1997

- Johnston, Trevor, Adam Schembri, and **Robert Adam**. (1997) *The Auslan Lexicography Project*. Paper given at the 7th International Deaf Researchers of Sign Language Workshop, Bristol University, Bristol, Great Britain.
- Adam, Robert**. (1997) *Auslan Lexicon - Terminology of Teaching Auslan*, Paper given at the Auslan Teachers Professional Development Day, The Australian Competency Research Centre, Barton Institute of TAFE, Richmond, Victoria.

## 1996

- Johnston, Trevor, Adam Schembri, and **Robert Adam**. (1996) *The Auslan Lexicography Project*. Paper given at the 4th World Federation of the Deaf Asia/Pacific Conference, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- Adam, Robert**. (1996) *The World Federation of the Deaf and the Australian Association of the Deaf - What do we Gain?* Paper given at the National Deafness Conferences, Hobart, Tasmania.

## Presentations, workshops and invited lectures:

## 2015

- Adam, Robert** and Christopher Stone. (2015) *Human Rights, Deaf people and interpreting: Navigating the Woods*. Keynote Address. World Association of Sign Language Interpreters conference, Istanbul, Turkey, 22 July 2015.

- Adam, Robert.** (2015) *Current Sign Language Research: Why is it important?* Frontrunners 10, Castberggård, Denmark, 13<sup>th</sup> March 2015.
- Cormier, Kearsy and **Robert Adam.** (2015) *Current issues in Sign Language Linguistics.* CommunityID/CommunicationID event: International Mother Language Day 2015, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2015.
- Adam, Robert.** (2015) *The importance of BSL research for the Deaf community and its stakeholders.* CommunityID/CommunicationID event: International Mother Language Day 2015, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

2014

- Adam, Robert.** (2014). *Deaf Interpreters.* At: Surdit  et interculturalit : une rencontre haute en couleur et en perspective" organised by Echange, Surdit , Projets, Assistants Sociaux (ESPAS) for its 20th years of existence. Brussels, Belgium, 14 November, 2014.
- Adam, Robert.** (2014) *Language planning and standardisation in the Deaf community: what are the human rights implications?* 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Disability and Rehabilitation, The Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, Prince Abdullah bin Abdulaziz and the Prince Salman Center for Disability Research, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 19-21 October 2014 (<http://www.icdr.org.sa/en/Home/Program>)
- Adam, Robert.** (2014). *Unimodal code-switching between two sign languages – some findings.* Signed and Spoken Language Linguistics Festa 2014, October 4-5 2014, National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka, Japan. (<http://www.minpaku.ac.jp/english/research/activity/news/corp/20141004-05>)
- Adam, Robert.** (2014) Keynote Address. Australian Sign Language Interpreters Association Interpreter Trainer's Network Symposium, Perth, Western Australia, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014.
- Adam, Robert.** (2014) Plenary presentation. Australian Sign Language Interpreters Association Annual National Conference, Perth, Western Australia, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014.
- Adam, Robert.** (2014) Keynote Address. Australian Sign Language Interpreters Association Annual National Conference, Perth, Western Australia, 30<sup>th</sup> August 2014.
- Adam, Robert.** (2014) *A basic introduction to the linguistics of sign language,* Cardiff, Wales. Community Learning Wales, 28-29 June 2014.
- Adam, Robert.** (2014) *Language Standardisation.* 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Linguistic Rights of the Deaf, All-Russian Society for the Deaf, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014 ([www.deaflinguisticconference2014.voginfo.ru/en/material.html](http://www.deaflinguisticconference2014.voginfo.ru/en/material.html))
- Adam, Robert.** (2014) *A minority sign language community within a majority sign language community.* Gallaudet University Department of ASL and Deaf Studies. Washington DC, USA, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014
- Adam, Robert.** (2014) *Everything you wanted to know about research but were too afraid to ask.* Keynote, SL2Hub-DC conference, Gallaudet University, Washington DC, USA, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2014. ([sites.google.com/site/sl2hubdc/program/schedule](http://sites.google.com/site/sl2hubdc/program/schedule))
- Adam, Robert** (2014) *International Sign workshop.* Gallaudet University Interpreting Service (GIS), Gallaudet University, Washington DC, USA, 15 February 2014



2013

- Adam, Robert.** (2013) *Current Sign Language Research: Why is it important?* Frontrunners 9, Castberggård, Denmark, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2013.
- Adam, Robert.** (2013) *Current Sign Language Research: Why is it important?* Frontrunners 8, Castberggård, Denmark, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2013.
- Adam, Robert.** (2013) BSL Recognition – the Way Ahead. Lecture given at a seminar for the Deafness Cognition and Language Research Centre and the British Deaf Association, (in celebration of the 10 year anniversary of the recognition of British Sign Language). University College London, England, 19 March 2013. (Live streamed on <http://www.bda.org.uk/News/112>).
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *Cognate facilitation in code switching between dialects of British Sign Language and Irish Sign Language*. Gallaudet University Linguistics Department, Washington DC, USA, 15 February 2013.

2012

- Adam, Robert,** Allsop, Lorna, Schofield, Mark and Stone, Christopher (2012). *Deaf Interpreters in a Team*. Workshop given for the European Forum of Sign Language Interpreters, London, England. 23-25 November 2012.
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *Further Linguistics for sign language tutors*, Omagh, Northern Ireland. Signature, 9 November, 2012.
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *Unimodal bilingualism in two sign languages: British Sign Language and Irish Sign Language*. Presentation given at the ESRC Festival of Social Science workshop: Talk in two languages: A problem or a skill, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland, 6 November 2012.  
<http://www.strath.ac.uk/humanities/research/titl/>
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *A basic introduction to the linguistics of sign language*, Letterkenny, Republic of Ireland. Signature, 19 October, 2012.
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *Understanding the role of a Deaf Interpreter*. Paper given at the III Congresso Nacional de Pesquisas em Tradução e Interpretação de Libras e Língua Portuguesa, Maria do Mar Hotel, Florianópolis, Brazil, 15-17 July 2012.
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *Team working with Deaf interpreters*. Japanese Sign Language Teachers Centre conference, National Olympics Youth Memorial Centre, Tokyo, Japan, 1 July, 2012.
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *Deaf interpreters and Deafhood*. Japanese Sign Language Teachers Centre conference, National Olympics Youth Memorial Centre, Tokyo, Japan, 1 July, 2012.
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *The Personal Attributes of the ideal sign language interpreter*. Japanese Sign Language Teachers Centre conference, National Olympics Youth Memorial Centre, Tokyo, Japan, 30 June, 2012.  
(<http://www.jsltc.org/>日本手話教育研究大会/第12回大会-2012/特別講演講師紹介/)
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *Further Linguistics for BSL tutors*, London, England. Signature, 18 May, 2012.
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *A basic introduction to the linguistics of BSL*, Bradford, England. Signature/Hanson Academy, 2 May, 2012.
- Adam, Robert.** (2012). *Further Linguistics for BSL tutors*, Antrim, County Antrim, Northern Ireland. Signature, 23 April, 2012.



- Adam, Robert** .(2012). *A basic introduction to the linguistics of BSL*, London, England. Signature, 4 April, 2012.
- Adam, Robert**. (2012). *Switching cost in between dialects of British Sign Language and Irish Sign Language*. Gallaudet University Linguistics Department, Washington DC, USA, 22 March 2012.

## 2011

- Adam, Robert**. (2011) *Do we agree on the role of a Deaf interpreter?* Paper given at the Deaf interpreters conference: 'Are we there yet?' London, England, 11 November, 2011.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011) *Family Sign Language – Resources and Delivery*. National Deaf Childrens Society, London, England, 20 October, 2011.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011) *Family Sign Language – Resources and Delivery*. National Deaf Childrens Society, Leicester, England, 14 October, 2011.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011). *Deafhood and Sign Language Users*. Presentation given at the Deaf Society of New South Wales, Parramatta, Australia. 28 May 2011.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011). *Sign of the Times Workshop XVII - Is the Deaf Community shrinking? What is the research evidence?* Presentation given at the F J Rose Auditorium, Deaf Children Australia, for the Victorian Council of Deaf People and Victorian Deaf Society. Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. 20 May 2011.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011). *Further Linguistics for BSL tutors*, London, England. British Deaf Association/Signature, 12 April, 2011.
- Stone, Christopher and **Robert Adam**. (2011). Deaf Interpreters and IS. Workshop given at Ål folkehøyskole og kurscenter for dove, 2-4 April, 2011. Ål, Norway.
- Adam, Robert** .(2011). *A basic introduction to the linguistics of BSL*, London, England. Signature, 29 March, 2011.
- Adam, Robert** and Clara Allardyce. (2011). *Deaf Interpreters doing invasion work*. 11-13 March 2011, Institut für Deutsche Gebärdensprache Universität Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011). *Deaf Interpreters*. Presentation given to Japanese Deaf interpreters. 12-13 February 2011, Kawasaki, Japan.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011) *Working as a Deaf researcher*. Presentation given to the East Tokyo region of the Japanese Federation of the Deaf, 11 February 2011, Tokyo, Japan.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011) *Deaf People in the UK*. Presentation given to the East Tokyo region of the Japanese Federation of the Deaf, 11 February 2011, Kyoto, Japan.
- Adam, Robert**. *Deaf Interpreters*. Presentation given to Japanese Deaf interpreters. 9 February 2011, Tokyo, Japan.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011) *Deaf People in the UK*. Presentation given to the East Tokyo region of the Japanese Federation of the Deaf, Tokyo, Japan, 8 February 2011.
- Adam, Robert**. (2011). *The DCAL Research Centre*. Presentation given at the National Institute of Informatics, National Institute of Sciences, Tokyo, Japan, 8 February 2011.

## 2010

- Adam, Robert.** (2010). *A basic introduction to the linguistics of BSL*, Cardiff, Wales. British Deaf Association/Signature, 16 December, 2010.
- Adam, Robert.** (2010). *Further Linguistics for BSL tutors*, Birmingham, England. British Deaf Association/Signature, 2 December, 2010.
- Adam, Robert.** (2010). *A basic introduction to the linguistics of BSL*, Birmingham, England. British Deaf Association/Signature, 11 November, 2010.
- Stone Christopher and **Robert Adam.** *Interpreters, Deaf interpreters and Deafhood.* AVLIC 2010 - Small steps big differences, 6-10 July 2010, Ottawa, Canada.
- Adam, Robert.** (2010) *Family Sign Language – Resources and Delivery.* National Deaf Childrens Society, Manchester, England, 30 June, 2010.
- Adam, Robert.** (2010) *Family Sign Language – Resources and Delivery.* National Deaf Childrens Society, Exeter, England, 23 June, 2010.
- Adam, Robert.** (2010) *Family Sign Language – Resources and Delivery.* National Deaf Childrens Society, Belfast, Northern Ireland, 26 May 2010.
- Adam, Robert** and Christopher Stone. (2010) *The Personal Attributes of the ideal sign language interpreter.* Scottish Association of Sign Language Interpreters, Glasgow, Scotland 16 April, 2010.
- Stone, Christopher and **Robert Adam,** (2010). *The Relevance of Research to the Training of Interpreters.* Scottish Association of Sign Language Interpreters, Glasgow, Scotland 16 April, 2010.
- Adam, Robert** and Christopher Stone. (2010). *Deaf people and interpreters working together.* Scottish Association of Sign Language Interpreters, Glasgow, Scotland 16 April, 2010.
- Adam, Robert.** Senan Dunne, Juli af Klintberg and Markus Aro. (2010) *Deaf Interpreters in a Team.* European Forum of Sign Language Interpreters, Prague, Czech Republic, 7-11 April, 2010.
- Adam, Robert.** (2010). *Sociolinguistics and language variation - how do people use BSL?* Exeter, England. British Deaf Association/Signature, 31 March, 2010.
- Stone, Christopher, and **Robert Adam.** (2010) Presentation at UCL Deafness, Cognition and Language Research Centre - Deaf Open Day, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2010 'Deaf interpreters in the community – the missing link?'
- Adam, Robert.** Eleni Orfanidou, and Gary Morgan. (2010) Presentation at UCL Deafness, Cognition and Language Research Centre - Deaf Open Day, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2010 'The Sign Segmentation Project at City University'.
- Adam, Robert.** (2010). *Sociolinguistics and language variation - how do people use BSL?* Liverpool, England. British Deaf Association/Signature, 17 March, 2010.
- Adam, Robert.** (2010) *BSL Linguistics Revision for BSL tutors*, Luton, England. Association of British Sign Language Tutors and Assessors, 20 February 2010.

## 2009

- Adam, Robert.** (2009). *Further Linguistics for BSL tutors*, Birmingham, England. British Deaf Association/Signature, 8 December, 2009.
- Adam, Robert.** (2009) *Family Sign Language – Resources and Delivery.* National Deaf Childrens Society, Birmingham, England, 3 December, 2009.
- Adam, Robert.** (2009). *Further Linguistics for BSL tutors*, British Deaf Association/Signature, Liverpool, England. 1 December, 2009.
- Adam, Robert.** (2009). The Sociolinguistics of sign languages. Greek Association of sign Language Interpreters, Athens, Greece. 28 November, 2009.

- Stone, Christopher, and **Robert Adam**. (2009) *A history of sign language interpreting in the UK and Deaf ghostwriters*. Greek Association of Sign Language Interpreters, Athens, Greece, 28 November, 2009.
- Adam, Robert**. (2009) *BSL Linguistics*. Deaf First, London, England, 21 July, 2009.
- Adam, Robert**. (2009). *Sign Language Linguistics for Auslan Teachers*. Deaf Society of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia. 25 June, 2009.
- Adam, Robert** and Christopher Stone. (2009). *Deaf Interpreters*. Deaf Society of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia 25 June, 2009.
- Adam, Robert**. (2008), *Trabajar como Investigador Sordo. (Working as a Deaf Researcher)*, Paper given at the 4th Workshop on Sign Linguistics, Universidad del Pais Vasco, Spain, 29 May 2008.
- Adam, Robert**. (2009). Presentation given at the Victorian Deaf Society, East Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. 17 June 2009.
- Adam, Robert**. (2009) *Professionalism of BSL teachers and Continuing Professional Development*. Paper given at the Annual Workshop of the Association of British Sign Language Tutors and Assessors, Luton, England, 25 April, 2009
- Adam, Robert**. (2009) *Të mësuarit e gjuhës (Learning a language)*. Paper given at a seminar organized by the Kosovar Association of the Deaf, Pristina, Kosovo, 26 October 2009.
- Stone, Christopher and **Robert Adam**. (2009) *Deaf Interpreters in the community – the missing link?* Paper given at the Institute of German Sign Language and Communication of the Deaf, Hamburg, Germany 18 April, 2009
- Adam, Robert** and Pamela Morgan. (2009) *Using Deaf Interpreters – when and how?* Presentation given at 'Watch Your Language – a one day conference on the way ahead for interpreters and CSWs', City Lit, London, 3 April 2009.
- Adam, Robert** and Derek Rodger. (2009) *Fingerspelling*. Association of British Sign Language Interpreters, Birmingham, England. 13 October, 2009.
- Adam, Robert** and Derek Rodger. (2009) *BSL Modification*. Association of British Sign Language Interpreters, Birmingham, England. 12 October, 2009.

## 2008

- Adam, Robert**. (2008), *Deaf identity – where have Deaf Australians come from and where are we going?* A discussion of our past, our present and our future, and our relationships with other groups in the community. Presentations given at: Deaf Services Queensland, Brisbane, 12 September, 2008; VicDeaf, Melbourne, 14 September 2008 and The Deaf Society of New South Wales, Sydney 18 September, 2008.
- Adam, Robert**. (2008), *How to support students in building their Deaf Identity*, Workshop given at Griffith University, Australia, 12 September, 2008
- Adam, Robert**. (2008). *Auslan Teachers*, The Deaf Society of New South Wales, Sydney 18 September, 2008.
- Adam, Robert** and Christopher Stone (2008) '*Working between the Deaf Community and Sign Language Interpreters*'. Workshop held at the City Organisation of the Deaf, Belgrade, Serbia. 14 March 2008
- Adam, Robert** and Christopher Stone (2008). Workshop given to the Ministry of Labour and Social Policy, in the Department for Promotion of Status of Persons with Disability. Belgrade, Serbia. 13 March 2008.

## 2004

**Adam, Robert.** (2004). *The Linguistics of BSL*. Workshop at the Birmingham Deaf Club, Association of British Sign Language Tutors and Assessors, June 12 2004.

## 1998

Schembri, Adam and **Robert Adam**. (1998). *Auslan acquisition and assessment workshop*. Royal South Australian Deaf Society, Adelaide, South Australia, September, 1998.

Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam** and Trevor Johnston. (1998). *Linguistic Perspectives on Auslan Teaching 2: What is visual communication?* Workshop presented at Grant Cameron Community Centre, ACT, 15th March, 1998.

Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam** and Trevor Johnston. (1998). *Linguistic Perspectives on Auslan Teaching 1: What are idioms?* Workshop presented at Grant Cameron Community Centre, ACT, 14th March, 1998.

## 1997

Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam** and Trevor Johnston. (1997). *Linguistic Perspectives on Auslan Teaching 1: What are idioms?* Workshop presented at the Royal New South Wales Institute for Deaf and Blind Children, March 13th, 1997.

Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam** and Trevor Johnston. (1997). *Linguistic Perspectives on Auslan Teaching 2: What is visual communication?* Workshop presented at the Royal New South Wales Institute for Deaf and Blind Children, May 24th, 1997.

Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam** and Trevor Johnston. (1997). *Linguistic Perspectives on Auslan Teaching 1: What are idioms?* Workshop presented at the Victorian College for the Deaf, Melbourne, 20th June, 1997.

Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam** and Trevor Johnston. (1997). *Linguistic Perspectives on Auslan Teaching 2: What is visual communication?* Workshop presented at the Victorian College for the Deaf, Melbourne, 21st June, 1997.

Schembri, Adam, **Robert Adam** and Trevor Johnston. (1997). *What are idioms?* Workshop presented at the Sign Language Interpreters' Winter School, Griffith University, Brisbane, 9th July, 1997.

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### **Website presenter/translation work:**

- 2012 Olympics website BSL translation of daily summaries:  
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- 2010 <http://signlinguistics.com/>  
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<http://www.signature.org.uk/page.php?content=108>  
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### Television, video work and media interviews:

- 2012 Interview with Portuguese Deaf TV (Surdo TV), 'Intérprete Surdo de LG' (Deaf Interpreters), 10 May 2012.  
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- Family Planning Association video.

### **Memberships:**

Australian Association of the Deaf – Life Member  
 British Deaf Association – Full Member  
 British Deaf History Society – Full Member  
 World Federation of the Deaf – Individual Member

### **Professional Association memberships:**

Association of British Sign Language Tutors and Assessors (UK)  
 Association of Sign Language Interpreters – Full member (UK)  
 Sign Language Linguistics Society  
 British Association for Applied Linguistics

Linguistics Association of Great Britain