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EDUCATION

- 2019 – 2024 **PhD in Linguistics**, University of Pennsylvania
(EXPECTED) Thesis: ‘Structure and interpretation across categories’,
advisor: David Embick
- 2017 – 2019 **MA in Linguistics**, Universität Leipzig
Thesis: ‘Cyclic paradoxes’, advisor: Jochen Trommer
- 2014 – 2017 **BA in Linguistics**, Universität Leipzig
Thesis: ‘Stress and a morpheme ordering anomaly in Washo’, advisor: Jochen
Trommer

PUBLICATIONS

- IN PREP. ‘The event structure and thematic properties of the German bekommen-
construction’. Special issue of *Journal of Comparative Germanic Linguistics*,
guest ed. Andrew Murphy.
- TO APPEAR ‘The syntax of the content reading in German nominalizations’. *Proceedings of
NELS 53*, eds. Suet-Ying Lam & Satoru Ozaki.
- TO APPEAR (with Gesoel Mendes & Martin Salzmann) ‘Against evacuation movement in
NP-ellipsis’. *Proceedings of PLC 47*, eds. May Chan & June Choe.
- 2023 (with David Embick & Lefteris Paparounas) ‘Blocking effects’. *The Wiley Black-
well Companion to Morphology*, eds. Peter Ackema, Sabrina Bendjaballah,
Eulàlia Bonet, and Antonio Fábregas.
- 2019 ‘Structure Removal Counterfeeds Status Government’. *Linguistische Arbeits-
berichte 94*, ed. Andrew Murphy.

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 ‘In defense of readjustment’. Poster, Morris Halle @ 100, Cambridge, September
9.
- 2023 **(invited)** ‘Derivational morphology: How fuzzy form-meaning pairs reveal
linguistic systems’. Talk, Concordia University, Montréal, March 30.
- 2023 (with Gesoel Mendes & Martin Salzmann) ‘Against evacuation movement in
NP-ellipsis’. Talk, PLC 47, Philadelphia, March 18.
- 2023 ‘The syntax of the content reading in German nominalizations’. Talk, NELS 53,
Göttingen, January 14.

- 2023 **(invited)** ‘Properties of the German bekommen-construction’. Talk, University of Leipzig, Leipzig, January 6.
- 2022 **(invited)** ‘French verbs: decomposition and the rules of morpho-phonology’. Talk, Princeton Phonology Forum, Princeton, December 3.
- 2022 ‘The event structure and thematic properties of the German bekommen-construction’. Talk, Comparative Germanic Syntax Workshop (CGSW) 36, Chicago, October 14.
- 2020 ‘Limiting the effects of prosodification on surface word order’. Lightning talk, online @ Linearizing Constituents Across Domains Workshop, Bled, October 15.
- 2018 ‘Phonologically conditioned affix order in Washo’. Talk, 16èmes Rencontres du Réseau Français de Phonologie (RFP), Paris, June 28.
- 2018 ‘Metrical Incoherence: different metrical structure at different strata’. Talk, 26th Manchester Phonology Meeting (mfm), Manchester, May 24.
- 2018 (with Shanti Ulfsbjorninn) ‘Improving the Formalism of Phonological Parameter Hierarchies’. Talk, Phonological Theory Agora workshop at GLOW₄₁, Budapest, April 14.
- 2018 ‘Phonologically conditioned affix order in Washo’. Poster, GLOW₄₁, Budapest, April 11.
- 2018 **(invited)** ‘Phonologically conditioned affix order in Washo’. Talk, Atelier de phonologie CNRS/Paris 8, Paris, February 21.
- 2018 ‘Phonologically conditioned affix order in Washo’. Talk, 15th Old World Conference on Phonology (OCP) UCL, London, January 13.
- 2017 ‘Phonologically conditioned affix order in Washo’. Talk, Workshop on Strata, Leipzig, July 20.

TEACHING

- 2023 Main Instructor LING0001 (Summer Session): Introduction to Linguistics, University of Pennsylvania
- 2023 Teaching Assistant LING0600: Introduction to Sociolinguistics, for Dr. Lacey Wade, University of Pennsylvania
- 2022 Facilitator Mini-Course: Inclusive and Equitable Teaching, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Pennsylvania
- 2022 Teaching Assistant LING102: Introduction to Sociolinguistics, for Prof. Nicole Holliday, University of Pennsylvania
- 2021 Teaching Assistant LING250: Introduction to Syntax, for Dr. Beatrice Santorini, University of Pennsylvania
- 2020 Teaching Assistant LING001: Introduction to Linguistics, Prof. Mark Liberman, University of Pennsylvania
- 2017 Teaching Assistant in the ‘Studieren in Leipzig’ (studying in Leipzig) project, Universität Leipzig
- 2016 Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Formal Logic, Prof. Sandhya Sundaresan, Universität Leipzig
- 2016 Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Syntax, Prof. Fabian Heck, Universität Leipzig

- 2015 Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Phonology, Prof. Jochen Trommer, Universität Leipzig

AWARDS & STIPENDS

- 2022 – 2023 Fellow for Inclusive and Equitable Teaching at the Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Pennsylvania
2014 – 2019 Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes (German Academic Scholarship Foundation)

SERVICE & JOBS

Journal reviewing

- 2023 Journal of Comparative Germanic Linguistics
2018 Glossa

Conference reviewing

- 2022 PLC 47
2021 PLC 46

Editing

- 2022 (with Yiran Chen) Editor Vol. 28.1 of Penn Working Papers in Linguistics (PWPL), Proceedings of PLC 45

Conference & colloquium organizing

- 2022 Organizer of FMART (Penn morphology reading group)
2021 Chair of the organizing committee, Penn Linguistics Conference (PLC) 45
2020 Penn Linguistics Speaker Series Coordinator
2018 Co-Organizer of the Open Podium at the EGG summer school
2016 Chair of the organizing committee, Studentische Tagung Sprachwissenschaft (StuTS) 59, Universität Leipzig

Representation

- 2021 – Co-President of GradLingS, the Penn Linguistics graduate student organization
2016 – 2019 Elected student representative on the faculty council of the Philologische Fakultät, Universität Leipzig
2015 – 2019 Elected member of the linguistics department's student council, Universität Leipzig

Other academic work

- 2019 Student research assistant to the graduate school 'Interaction of Grammatical Building Blocks' (IGRA), Universität Leipzig