

# Annika Tjuka

## Curriculum Vitæ

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### Academic Education

- 10/2016 – 03/2019 **Master of Arts in Linguistics**, *Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin*.  
Final Grade: 1.2 (“very good”)  
MA Thesis: *Body-part metaphors as a window to cognition: A cross-linguistic study of object and landscape terms*.  
Supervisors: Elisabeth Verhoeven and Kilu von Prince  
Grade: 1.3 (“very good”)
- 04/2013 – 09/2016 **Bachelor of Arts in German Linguistics and Scandinavian Studies**, *Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin*.  
Final Grade: 1.7 (“good”)  
BA Thesis: *Emotionalisation through texts – A contrastive analysis of donation letters and stock market letters with the help of the Berlin Affective Word List Reloaded*.  
Supervisors: Katharina Spalek and Manfred Krifka  
Grade: 1.5 (“very good”)
- 10/2012 – 03/2013 **Bachelor of Arts in Culture & Technology – Language and Communication**, *Technische Universität Berlin*.

### Work Experience

- 09/2023 – present **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology*, Leipzig, Department of Linguistic and Cultural Evolution.  
Project: Computer-Assisted Language Comparison (CALC)
- 09/2019 – 08/2023 **Doctoral Researcher**, *International Max Planck Research School (IMPRS)*, Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Jena.  
Project: Cross-Linguistic Strategies of Denotation: Advancing Data and Methods in Lexical Typology
- 04/2019 – 09/2019 **Research Associate**, *FAHMRRR project*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, funded by European Research Council (ERC).  
An investigation of how humans process meaning in utterances, concentrating on focus alternatives. Principal Investigator: Katharina Spalek
- 2017 – 2019 **Student Research Assistant**, *MelaTAMP project*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, funded by German Research Foundation (DFG).  
A corpus-based research on TAM and polarity expressions in Oceanic languages of Melanesia. Principal Investigators: Kilu von Prince and Manfred Krifka
- 2016 – 2019 **Student Research Assistant**, *FAHMRRR project*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, funded by European Research Council (ERC).  
Principal Investigator: Katharina Spalek

- 2018 **Internship and Student Research Assistant**, *Modulation of Language Networks Group*, Max Planck Institute for Human Cognitive and Brain Sciences, Leipzig.  
Group Head: Gesa Hartwigsen
- 2013 – 2016 **Assistant**, *World Wide Fund for Nature*, Berlin, Department of Dialog Marketing.
- Full-time, before I began my academic career
- 2011 – 2012 **Junior Account Manager**, *McCann Berlin*.
- 2011 **Store Manager**, *BFN Berlin Fashion Network*.
- 2010 **Junior Account Manager**, *Wunderman GmbH*, Frankfurt a. M..
- 2008 – 2010 **Trainee for Marketing Communication**, *Wunderman GmbH*, Frankfurt a. M., Dual vocational training.

## Invited Talks

- *If a car had feet, where would they be? Using the body as an analogy to name object parts*. Current Topics in General Linguistics – Research Colloquium at Heinrich Heine University. Düsseldorf, Germany.

## Grants and Awards

- 2019 – 2023 **Fellowship**, *International Max Planck Research Schools (IMPRS)*, Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Jena.
- 2021 **Farzad Sharifian PhD Student Award**, for my presentation on “*The face of the moon – Body part extensions in Vietnamese*”, at 3<sup>rd</sup> Cultural Linguistics International Conference (CLIC-2021), Budapest.
- 2019 **Nomination for Humboldt-Price**, for best Master’s thesis at *Sprach- und literaturwissenschaftlichen Fakultät*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.
- 2019 **Humboldt-Universität’s Equal Opportunities Fund**, for participation in a *linguistics conference*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.

## Teaching

- Winter term 2023/24 **Seminar**, *Sprachdiversität und Mehrsprachigkeit (Language Diversity and Multilingualism)*, for Bachelor students, Lehrstuhl für Multilinguale Computerlinguistik.  
Universität Passau, Germany.
- Winter term 2022/23 **Grundkurs (Undergraduate Course)**, *Sprachwissenschaftliche Fragestellungen und Methoden (Questions and methods in linguistics)*, for Bachelor students, Institut für Deutsche und Niederländische Philologie.  
Freie Universität Berlin, Germany.

- September 2022 **Lecture**, *Computer-Assisted Approaches to Lexical Typology*, for Master and PhD students, co-teacher Johann-Mattis List, Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS).  
SemanticShifts Summer School, Frejús, France.
- Winter term 2021/22 **Seminar**, *Same same but different: Semantic relations in language and thought*, for Bachelor students, Department of English Studies.  
Friedrich Schiller University, Jena, online.
- August 2021 **Lecture**, *Introduction to Linguistic & Cultural Evolution*, for Master and PhD students, Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History.  
SHH Summer School - A doorway to human history, Jena, online.
- August 2021 **Class**, *Bayesian Phylogenetic Linguistics*, for Master and PhD students, co-teachers Nataliia Hübler and Olena Shcherbakova, Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History.  
SHH Summer School - A doorway to human history, Jena, online.
- Summer term 2021 **Seminar**, *Words and their meanings across languages*, for Bachelor students, Department of English Studies.  
Friedrich Schiller University, Jena, online.
- Winter term 2020/21 **Seminar**, *The mental lexicon from a cross-linguistic perspective*, for Bachelor students, Department of English Studies.  
Friedrich Schiller University, Jena, online.

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## Supervision and Advisory Services

- 2022–Present **Mentor**, *African Research Talents Experiencing Mentoring In Science (ARTEMIS) programme*, Max Planck Society, Germany.  
Mentee: Mike Ofori Antwi (Masters Student at University of Ghana)
- 2022–Present **Supervisor**, *Department of Linguistic and Cultural Evolution*, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig.  
Supervisee: Mathilda van Zantwijk (Student Research Assistant)
- 2020 – 2021 **PhD Representative**, *Department of Linguistic and Cultural Evolution*, Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Jena.
- 2017 – 2018 **Women's Representative**, *Institute of Romance Studies*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.

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## Professional Services

- 2021 – 2024 **Co-Editor**, *Computer-Assisted Language Comparison in Practice*, Blog. [calc.hypotheses.org](http://calc.hypotheses.org)
- Ad hoc Reviewer
- Scientific Data
  - Behavior Research Methods
  - Scientific Reports
  - Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology
  - Journal of Portuguese Linguistics

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## Events Organization

2023

- **Workshop**, *Cross-Linguistic Data Formats – Graphs and Texts*, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany.  
A two-day workshop with invited talks and two practice sessions organized together with Johann-Mattis List and Robert Forkel  
Organizer
- **Theme Session**, *Cross-linguistic colexifications across research fields*, 16<sup>th</sup> International Cognitive Linguistics Conference, Düsseldorf, Germany.  
A one-day theme session with invited talks organized together with Johann-Mattis List  
Organizer

2022 **Group Session**, *Science communication*, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany.  
A one-day workshop discussing science communication and a poster presentation.  
Group leader

2021 **SHH Summer School**, *A doorway to human history*, Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Jena, online.  
A two-week lecture and workshop series introducing the main aspects of archaeology, archaeogenetics, as well as linguistic and cultural evolution.  
Organizing committee

2020 – 2021 **Journal Club**, *Department of Linguistic and Cultural Evolution*, Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Jena.  
Main Coordinator

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## Outreach Activities

2023

- **Quantum Entanglement – Science and Music Festival**, *Was wäre, wenn Du jede Sprache auf der Welt sprechen könntest?*, Heiter bis Wolkig Café at Bürgerbahnhof Plagwitz, Leipzig, Germany.  
Speaker

2022

- **Tea with Teachers**, *The role of a lifetime – Portrayal of female scientists in today's movies and TV series*, Friedrich Schiller University, Department of English Studies, Jena, online.  
Speaker, together with Olena Tykhostup
- **Interview for Stuttgarter Kinderzeitung**, *Answering a question by 8-year-old Tilda "How did words actually come into being and from them our language?"*.  
Interviewee

- 2021 **Tea with Teachers**, *Four ways to PhD*, Friedrich Schiller University, Department of English Studies, Jena, online.  
Speaker, together with Olena Shcherbakova, Olena Tykhostup, and Barthe Bloom
- 2019 **Long Night of Science**, *Game: "Try to get food in the same way as the crows of New Caledonia"*, Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Jena.  
Volunteer, together with Clemens Schmid

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## Languages

German	First language
English	Professional
Danish	Good passive knowledge
Vietnamese	Good passive knowledge

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## Computer Skills

Scripting & Mark-up	R, Python, Bash Shell, MATLAB, $\text{\LaTeX}$
Software	PRAAT, Presentation, ELAN, EXMARaLDA, Cytoscape, Inkscape, NetLogo