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Education

- Dec. 2021 📖 **Ph.D. The Ohio State University** in Linguistics.
- May 2021 📖 **M.A. The Ohio State University** in Linguistics.
- May 2015 📖 **B.A. University of Texas at Austin** in Japanese language and culture and Linguistics with Special Honors.

Academic Employment History

Faculty Teaching Appointments

- 2021 – 2023 📖 **Instructor in Linguistics**, Metro Early College High School. Columbus, OH.

RA-ships

- Summer 2022 📖 **Web-design Assistance**, The Ohio State University.
- Summer 2020 📖 **Editorial Assistance**, The Ohio State University.

Graduate Teaching Appointments

- Autumn 2021 📖 **Graduate Teaching Associate**, The Ohio State University.
- 2019 – 2020 📖 **Graduate Teaching Associate**, The Ohio State University.

Research Papers and Presentations

Theses

- 1 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (2021). *The synchrony and diachrony of New Western Iranian nominal morphosyntax*. The Ohio State University Ph.D. dissertation.
- 2 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (2015). *Bilingual personalities phenomenon*. The University of Texas at Austin Undergraduate B.A. Thesis.

Articles

- 1 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (forthcoming). Absolute Prepositions. Invited contribution to appear in *The Oxford Handbook of Kurdish Linguistics*, Sheyholislami, J., Haig, G., Khezri, H., Akin, S., Opendin, E. (Eds.). Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- 2 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (2023). Ezafe and the Article. To appear in: *Advances in Iranian Linguistics II*, Karimi, Simin, Narges Nematollahi, Roya Kabiri and Jian Gang Ngui (eds.). Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
- 3 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (2022). Akkadian [e]. In: *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 142.1, pp. 177–191.
- 4 **Karim, Shuan Osman** and Ali Salehi (2022). An applicative analysis of Sorani “absolute prepositions” in *Neglected syntactic functions and non-syntactic functions of Applicative Morphology (Trends in Linguistics Studies and Monographs 373)*, eds. Sara Pacchiarotti and Fernando Zúñiga. 263–298. Berlin: De Gruyter.

- 5 Elsner, Micha, Andrea D. Sims, Alexander Erdmann, Antonio Hernandez, Evan Jaffe, Lifeng Jin, Martha Booker Johnson, **Shuan Osman Karim**, David L. King, Luana Lamberti Nunes, Byung-Doh Oh, Nathan Rasmussen, Cory Shain, Stephanie Antetomaso, Kendra V. Dickinson, Noah Diewald, Michelle McKenzie, and Symon Stevens-Guille (2019). Modeling morphological learning, typology, and change: What can the neural sequence-to-sequence framework contribute? In: *Journal of Language Modelling* 7.1, pp. 126–170.

Articles (under-review)

- 1 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (in review[a]). Heuristics for identifying de-collective plurals and the competition between definiteness and plurality in Iranian. Paper submitted to *Iran and the Caucasus*.
- 2 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (in review[b]). Same changes, different results: the case of the Kurdish imperfective. Paper submitted to *Transactions of the Philological Society*.
- 3 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (in review[c]). The heuristic of Economy and Proto-Iranian stop clusters. Paper submitted to *Indogermanische Forschungen*.

Books

- 1 **Karim, Shuan Osman** and Saloumeh Gholami (in contract). *Gorani in its historical and linguistic setting, problems and prescriptions. Trends in Linguistics Documentation (TiLDOC)*. Berlin: De Gruyter.

Invited Talks

- 1 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Sept. 2022). Disentangling mutually shared innovations, shared retentions, coincidence, and contact phenomena in Southern Kurdish and Gorani, Paper to be presented at the “Minorities in the Zagros - Language Identity” workshop at the Goethe University Frankfurt.
- 2 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Feb. 2022). The Kurdish Imperfective: Diachronic, Typological, and Pan-Iranian Perspectives, Invited talk in the Department of Linguistics at HSE University.
- 3 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Nov. 2021). The synchrony and diachrony of applicative morphology in Sorani Kurdish. Invited talk for *Lectures on Iranian Linguistics in Arizona* (LILA).

Conference Talks

- 1 **Karim, Shuan Osman** and Saloumeh Gholami (Sept. 2023). Filling in the diachronic gaps: the view of Old Iranian from the present. Workshop at the *26th Meeting of the International Conference on Historical Linguistics* (University of Heidelberg, 4 to 8 September 2023).
- 2 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Nov. 2022). Definiteness, DOM, and Ezafat: the reflexes of Proto-Indo-Iranian k-form evaluative suffixes, Paper presented at the *2022 conference of the European research network on linguistics and languages of the Anatolia-Caucasus-Iran-Mesopotamia area*.
- 3 Joseph, Brian Daniel, **Shuan Osman Karim**, and Clinton Kakela Awai-Jennings (Aug. 2022). Historical Linguistics in High School: The Columbus Experience, Paper presented at the *25th International Conference on Historical Linguistics* at Oxford University.
- 4 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Aug. 2022). Towards a new paradigm in Historical Syntax, Paper presented at the *25th International Conference on Historical Linguistics* at Oxford University.
- 5 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Sept. 2021). A diachrony of Kurdish imperfective affixes. Paper presented at: the *fifth International Conference on Kurdish Linguistics* (ICKL5). Graz, Austria.
- 6 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Aug. 2021). Towards a typology of the ezafe: the Iranian ezafe as a type-raising functor. Paper presented at: the *fifth American International Morphology Meeting* (AIMM5). Columbus, OH.



- 7 **Karim, Shuan Osman** and Ali Salehi (Apr. 2021). Applicatives in Sorani Kurdish. Paper presented at: *the fourth Conference on Central Asian Languages and Linguistics 2021 (ConCALL4)*. Bloomington, Indiana.
- 8 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Aug. 2020). The Diachrony of Central Kurdish Applicative Markers. Paper presented at: *the Societas Linguistica Europaea 2020 (SLE2020) WS 6: Neglected syntactic functions and non-syntactic functions of Applicative Morphology*. Bucharest, Romania.
- 9 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (July 2019). Competition between formatives and the diversity of ezafat. Paper presented at: *the 24th International Conference on Historical Linguistics (ICHL24)*. Canberra, Australia.
- 10 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Apr. 2019). The Origin of the ezafe Paradigm in Zazaki (and Other Western Iranian Languages). Paper presented at: *the 2nd North American Conference on Iranian Linguistics (NACIL2)*. Tucson, Arizona.
- 11 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Oct. 2018). The Kurmancî tense ezafe and its Deep Roots in Western Iranian. Paper presented at: *the 8th International Conference on Iranian Linguistics*. Yerevan. Armenia.

Conference Posters

- 1 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Apr. 2023). The heuristic of Economy and the reflexes of Proto-Iranian stop clusters. Poster presented at *The 3rd North American Conference on Iranian Linguistics* (University of California Los Angeles, the 21st through 23rd of April, 2023).
- 2 **Karim, Shuan Osman** and Ali Salehi (Jan. 2020). Sorani Valence Changing Affixes: Teetering on the boundary between morphology and syntax. Poster presented at: *the 94th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA2020)*. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 3 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Jan. 2019). Coincidence or Contact? Aramaic "Ayin" and Akkadian [e]. Poster presented at: *the 93rd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA2019)*. New York, New York.
- 4 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Sept. 2017). Sorani (Central Kurdish) Oblique Pronominal Markers: The Development of a Morphological Constellation. Poster presented at: *the Fourth Pavia International Summer School for Indo-European Linguistics*. Pavia, Italy.
- 5 **Karim, Shuan Osman** (Aug. 2017). Sorani (Central Kurdish) Oblique Pronominal Markers: A Morphological Constellation. Poster presented at: *LSA: Linguistic Institute: Language Across Space and Time*. Lexington, Kentucky.

Fellowships and Awards




Fellowships

- 2020 – 2021  **Extended Dean's Distinguished University Fellow**, The Ohio State University.
- 2016 – 2019  **Extended Dean's Distinguished University Fellow**, The Ohio State University.

Scholarships

- 2013 – 2015  **Terry Foundation Transfer Scholar**. The University of Texas at Austin.
- 2014 – 2014  **Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholar**. Osaka Gakuin Daigaku, Osaka Japan.

Courses Taught

-  **Japanese I**. Instructor of record - Metro Early College High School.
-  **Language Evolution**. Instructor of record - Metro Early College High School.
-  **(Intro to) Linguistics**. Instructor of record - Metro Early College High School.

Courses Taught (continued)

- **How to Learn a Language (linguistics for language learners).** Instructor of record - Metro Early College High School.
- **LING 3901 - Language Evolution and Language Change.** Instructor of record - The Ohio State University.
- **LING 5903 - Intermediate Sanskrit.** Substitute Instructor - The Ohio State University.

Skills

Languages

- Native proficiency: English;
- Advanced practical ability: Central Kurdish (Sorani), Japanese, Spanish;
- Academic study: Sanskrit (Vedic and Classical), Avestan, Old Persian, Syriac, Akkadian, Middle Persian, Parthian, Old Church Slavonic;
- Research knowledge: New Persian, Hewramî, Zazaki, Northern Kurdish (Kurmanji), Southern Kurdish, Balochi, Pashto, Arabic.

Coding

- Python, R, Praat script, \LaTeX .

Miscellaneous

- Teaching of English, peer review, mentoring, FLEx, ELAN.

Additional Experience

Ongoing Documentation

- **Shabaki Documentation Project and 360° VR Audio-Visual Corpus.**

Miscellaneous Training

- 2019 ■ **Language Documentation training,** Training by the Endangered Languages Documentation Programme (ELDP) held at the University of London School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS).
- 2017 ■ **Training in Indo-European Linguistics,** The Fourth Pavia International Summer School for Indo-European Linguistics. Pavia, Italy.

Collaborations

- **LOEWE-Research Cluster: Minority Studies, Language and Identity,** Goethe University Frankfurt.

Academic Committees

- 2016-2021 ■ **Speakers Committee.** Department of Linguistics, The Ohio State University.

Reviewer

- 2023 ■ **The 26th International Conference on Historical Linguistics (ICHL26).** Program committee.

Additional Experience (continued)

-  **The 3rd North American Conference on Iranian Linguistics (NACIL3).** Program committee.
- 2021  **The 5th American International Morphology Meeting (AIMM5).** Program committee.
- 2020  **The proceedings of the 2nd North American Conference on Iranian Linguistics.**
- 2020  **Turkic and Languages in Contact with Turkic (TU+6).**
- 2020, 2021  **Lingua: An International Review of General Linguistics.**

References

Brian D. Joseph	Distinguished University Professor of Linguistics and The Kenneth E. Naylor Professor of South Slavic Languages and Linguistics at the Ohio State University	joseph.1@osu.edu
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