

**Laura E. Gwilliams**

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**Research Positions**

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Aug 2013 - Present	<i>Research Assistant, New York University Abu Dhabi</i> <i>Supervisors: Dr. Alec Marantz and Dr. Liina Pytkäinen</i>
July 2012 - Jan 2014	<i>Research Assistant, Cardiff University</i> <i>Supervisor: Dr. Lise Fontaine</i>
Sept 2011 - June 2012	<i>Graduate Research Team, Cardiff University</i>

**Education**

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**M.Sc.**    2012 - 2013

Cognitive Neuroscience of Language  
Basque Center on Cognition, Brain and Language (BCBL)  
Grade: *Excellent*  
Dissertation: *Sensitivity to morphological composition*  
Supervisors: Dr. Arthur Samuel & Dr. Philip Monahan

**B.A.**    2009 - 2012

English Language, with specialisation in theoretical linguistics  
Cardiff University  
Grade: *1<sup>st</sup> Class with honours*  
Dissertation: *Ambiguity of process-type selection in systemic functional linguistics*  
Supervisor: Dr. Lise Fontaine

**Awards and Scholarships**

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*Henry M. MacCracken Fellowship, New York University, 2015-2020*

Description: Full funding of PhD tuition and maintenance

*Dell Hymes Commendation for Excellent Academic Achievement, Cardiff University, 2012*

Description: Presented to the top graduating student within the department

## **Academic Service**

Ad hoc reviewer for *Psychonomic Bulletin and Review*

## **Software and Programming Skills**

*Research Methodologies:* MEG, EEG, Behavioural, Eye-Tracking, fMRI (limited experience)

*Data Analysis:* MNE-Python, BESA, MATLAB (Fieldtrip), R, MEG160

*Auditory Packages:* Praat, Audacity

*Experiment Presentation:* MATLAB (Psychtoolbox), Presentation, DMDX

*Programming:* Python, Perl, Unix (bash, tcsh), HTML

## **Publications**

**Gwilliams, L.** & Marantz, A. (2015). Tracking non-linear prediction in a linear speech stream: Influence of morphological structure on spoken word recognition. *Brain and Language*. **[PDF]**.

**Gwilliams, L.**, Monahan, P., & Samuel, A. (2015). Sensitivity to morphological composition: Evidence from grammatical and lexical decision tasks. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Language, Memory and Cognition*. **[PDF]**.

Politzer-Ahles, S., & **Gwilliams, L.** (2015). Involvement of prefrontal cortex in scalar implicatures: Evidence from magnetoencephalography. *Language and Cognitive Neuroscience*.

## **Manuscripts**

**Gwilliams, L.** & Fontaine, L. (Submitted). Indeterminacy in process type classification.

**Gwilliams, L.**, Lewis, G. & Marantz, A. (In preparation). The visual word form before the visual word form area: Revealing the temporal, spatial and oscillatory dynamics of letter string perception.

Linzen, T., Gaston, P., **Gwilliams, L.** & Marantz, A. (In preparation). Competition and prediction in the neural processing of morphologically complex spoken words.

Brodbeck, C., **Gwilliams, L.** & Pykkänen, L. (In preparation). EEG can track the time course of reference resolution in small visual worlds.

## **Posters and Presentations**

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**Gwilliams, L.** & Marantz, A. (2015, June). Abstract representation of the root morpheme: A magnetoencephalography study of spoken Arabic. Presentation at the 9th Morphological Processing Conference, Potsdam, Germany.

**Gwilliams, L.** & Marantz, A. (2015, March). *Decomposition of spoken Arabic words into root morphemes during processing: Evidence from magnetoencephalography*. Presentation at the Linguistics in the Gulf 5 Conference, Doha, Qatar

**Gwilliams, L.** (2015, March). *Letter specific sensitivities in the brain: located in time, space and current direction*. Presentation at the Neuroscience of Language Workshop 2015, Abu Dhabi, UAE

**Gwilliams, L.,** & Marantz, A. (2015, February). *Non-linear processing of a linear speech stream*. Presentation at the NYUAD Annual Research Conference 2015, Abu Dhabi, UAE.

**Gwilliams, L.,** Lewis, G., & Marantz, A. (2014, August). *Revealing the cortical dynamics of letter string perception*. Poster presented at the Society for the Neurobiology of Language Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands. **[PDF]**.

Linzen, T., Gaston, P., **Gwilliams, L.** & Marantz, A. (2014, August). *Competition and prediction in the auditory processing of morphologically complex words*. Poster presented at the Society for the Neurobiology of Language Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands. **[PDF]**.

**Gwilliams, L.** & Fontaine, L. (2014, July). *Ambiguity in process type selection in systemic functional linguistics*. Presentation at the 25th European Systemic Functional Linguistics Conference, Paris, France.

Brodbeck, C., **Gwilliams, L.** & Pykkänen, L. (2014, February). *Reference resolution and prediction in a visual world: MEG evidence from English and Arabic*. Presentation at the NYUAD Annual Research Conference 2014, Abu Dhabi, UAE.

**Gwilliams, L.,** Monahan, P. & Samuel, A. (2013, June). *Why an Avalanche is faster than an Explosion*. Poster presented at The 8th International Morphological Processing Conference, Cambridge, UK. **[PDF]**.

**Gwilliams, L.,** Monahan, P., & Samuel, A. (2013, March). *Decompositional processing of nominalisations*. Poster presented at the Basque Center on Cognition, Brain and Language (BCBL), San Sebastian, Spain.