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EDUCATION

PhD	University of Texas at Austin <i>French (Specialization: Linguistics)</i> <i>Faculty Co-supervisor: Dr. David Birdsong and Dr. Fernando Llanos</i> <i>Graduate Portfolio in Language Teaching and Program Coordination</i>	2019 - Present
MA	University of Texas at Austin <i>French (Specialization: Linguistics)</i>	2021
BA	University of California, Berkeley <i>Integrative Biology and French (double major)</i>	2018

HONORS AND AWARDS

Julia Walther Fellowship <i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	Fall 2023 – Spring 2024
Foreign Language Teaching Excellence Award Nominee <i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	Spring, 2023
Julia Walther Summer Research Grant <i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	Summer, 2023
Julia Walther Summer Research Grant <i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	Summer, 2022
Julia Walther Summer Research Grant <i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	Summer, 2021
Julia Walther Fellowship <i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	Fall 2019 – Spring 2020

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant <i>The University of Texas at Austin</i>	Aug 2021 – Present
Working as research assistant in Dr. Fernando Llanos's UT Neurolinguistics Lab. Assisting in experiments, training with EEG (data collection and analysis) and machine learning in MATLAB.	
Undergraduate Research Assistant <i>University of California, Berkeley</i>	June 2018 – Aug 2018

Assembled annotated bibliography and assisted in the structuring of a curriculum for French Language and Culture courses with environmental science and sustainability modules.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Graduate Assistant Instructor <i>The University of Texas at Austin, Department of French and Italian</i>	Fall 2021 - Present
Graduate Teaching Assistant (Online) <i>The University of Texas at Austin, Department of French and Italian</i>	Fall 2021 – Spring 2021
Graduate Teaching Assistant <i>The University of Texas at Austin, Department of French and Italian</i>	Fall 2020 – Spring 2021
TAPIF (Teaching Assistant Program in France) <i>Ministry of Education, Académie de Versailles</i>	Fall 2018 – Spring 2019
French Tutor <i>University of California, Berkeley</i>	Fall 2016 – Spring 2018

COURSES TAUGHT

FR 611C: Intermediate French <i>Spring 2023</i>
FR 601C: Beginner French <i>Fall 2022</i>
FR 611C: Intermediate French <i>Spring 2022</i>
FR 601C: Beginning French <i>Fall 2021</i>

RESEARCH AREAS

French Linguistics, Psycholinguistics, Second Language Acquisition, Bilingualism, Phonetics, Phonology, Cognitive Neuroscience

PUBLICATIONS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

“Studying Colloquial French Subject Clitics Using Corpus Data: Morphological Perspective.” Poster Presentation, Linguistic Symposium on Romance Languages (LSRL) 50, Austin, July 2020

Invited Talks

Liron Shlesinger. “Language background and cognitive factors in the L2 speech perceptual learning of nasal vowels: Behavioral and electrophysiological evidence from French.” Talk given at *Found in Translation*. University of California, Berkeley. March 2023

WORKSHOPS FACILITATED

FIGSO Workshop Series. “Comprehensive Exams and Prospectus”. Liron Shlesinger and Dylan Gilbert. Department of French and Italian. March 2023

FIGSO Workshop Series. “Hidden Gems”. Liron Shlesinger. Department of French and Italian. Oct 2022

FIGSO Workshop Series. “Succeeding in Grad School”. Liron Shlesinger and Guido Capaccioli. Department of French and Italian. Sep 2022.

Inclusive Pedagogy Workshop. “Diversability: Neurodiversity and Disabilities in Higher Education.” Liron Shlesinger and Gene Ferrier-Rainey. Department of French and Italian. Oct 2021.

SERVICE

FIGSO Co-President

Department of French and Italian

Fall 2023 - Present

Graduate Studies Task Force- Diverse Career Paths

Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2023 - Present

COLA Graduate Student Advisory Committee

Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2022 - Present

Speaker Series

Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2022 - Present

GAFA/GSC Representative

Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2022 – Spring 2023

Workshop Series

Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2021 – Spring 2022

Working Paper Series

Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2021 – Spring 2022

French Linguistics Speaker Series

Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2020 – Spring 2021

Explore UT Coordinator

Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2020 – Spring 2021

French Undergraduate Liaison Committee
Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2019 – Spring 2020

Graduate Student Association (Primary Representative)
Department of French and Italian, UT Austin

Fall 2019 – Spring 2020

WORKSHOPS ATTENDED AND TRAINING

EEG Training

Fall 2021 - Present

Learning to use EEG equipment, collecting and preprocessing ERP's (FFR, MMN, and Cortical Entrainment), and data analysis

LANGUAGES

English: Native

Hebrew: Native

French: Near-Native

Italian: Intermediate

Yiddish: Intermediate

Mandarin Chinese: Novice

COMPUTER SKILLS

Programming: MATLAB (machine learning, signal processing), R (statistical analysis), Python (working knowledge)

Software: SPSS (statistical software), Praat (speech analysis), ArcGIS (building interactive maps), Gorilla (experiment builder)