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Abstract:

Michael Daniel is currently a visiting research fellow at the University of Tübingen, Germany (from July 2024 to September 2025). His areas of interest include sociolinguistics, particularly variationist studies, multilingualism and contact linguistics; linguistic typology, particularly morphosyntax, morphology and semantics of grammatical categories; the languages of the Caucasus and the grammar of Russian; and acoustic phonetics. Major projects he participated in include World Atlas of Language Structures, Ustja River Basin Corpus, Atlas of Multilingualism in Daghestan and Number in the World's Languages. He was also involved in creating the Eastern Armenian National Corpus (www.eanc.net) and worked on the Russian National Corpus (www.ruscorpora.ru). He did descriptive, documentation and sociolinguistics fieldwork on various languages of Russia, including Nakh-Daghestanian, Uralic and Chukotkan, as well as on northern Russian dialects; typological studies on grammatical categories; and acoustic studies on rare sound patterns. He also did research on traditional multilingualism and language contact in Daghestan. From 2007 to 2022, he taught a wide range of courses in general linguistics, sociolinguistics, typology and language diversity at the Higher School of Economics (HSE University) and the Lomonosov Moscow State University. He was a visiting research fellow at Max-Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig (2000-2001 and 2009), at Collegium de Lyon (Université Lyon 2) / Laboratoire Dynamique du Langage (CNRS) (2016-2017 and again from 2022 to 2024), and at Hamburg University (in 2022). He is a member of the Academia Europaea from 2023.

Clarification on my current employment status and history:

I left Russia and lost my employment with my Russian employers Higher School of Economics and Lomonosov Moscow State University in 2022.

Degrees:

Specialität: Russian State University for Humanities, degree in theoretical and applied linguistics, graduated in 1995.

PhD: Russian State University for Humanities, A typology of Associative Plurals. [In Russian] Supervised by Aleksandr Barulin and Vladimir Plungian. (2001 ALT award for the best PhD in linguistic typology). In Russia, PhD degree authorizes to supervise doctoral students.

Current employment:

07.2024-09.2025: research fellow at the University of Tübingen

Previous work experience:

09.2022-06.2024: research fellow of Collegium de Lyon / Laboratoire Dynamique du Langage (Lyon)

2011-2022: professor at School of Linguistics, HSE University

2016-2022: academic supervisor of the MA programme Linguistic Theory and Language Description (School of Linguistics HSE University)

2016-2022: senior researcher at Linguistic Convergence Laboratory (ilcl.hse.ru/en/about), HSE University

2004-2009: researcher at the Institute for the World Culture (Lomonosov Moscow State University, part time employment)

2009-2022: associate professor at the department of theoretical and applied linguistics, Lomonosov Moscow State University (part time employment)

2000-2001 and 2009: visiting scholar at MPI for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig

2016-2017: associated fellow of Collegium de Lyon affiliated with Laboratoire Dynamique du Langage (part time employment)

Fieldwork:

- **Languages of Russia:** Alutor (Chukotkan), Nganasan (Uralic), Mishar Tatar and Chuvash (Turkic);
- **East Caucasian languages:** Bagvalal, Tukita (both Andic), Archi, Rutul (both Lezgitic), Mehweb (Dargwa); Khinalug (Khinalug);
- **Russian dialects:** Ustja River Bassin dialect.

Career breaks:

2001 (when I obtained my PhD) to 2011 (when I started working at HSE University), I only worked in academia part-time because of the financial situation of my family.

Research funding and grants

Consortia:

- World Atlas of Language Structures (MPI-EVA Leipzig)
- Typology of Ditransitive Constructions (MPI-EVA Leipzig)
- Typology of Valency Classes (MPI-EVA Leipzig)
- Evolution of Semantic Systems (Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics - Nijmegen, www.mpi.nl/eoss) - member of the consortium, minor contribution (supervising the Russian dataset), supported by MPI Nijmegen
- Corpus Linguistic (Russian Academy of Sciences, 2011-2014, #36-П)
- Towards a corpus-based grammar of Russian (Russian Foundation for the Humanities) in 2010-2022
- Number in the World's Languages (<https://doi.org/10.1515/9783110622713>), a volume co-edited with Paolo Acquaviva (University College, Dublin) in the typological handbook series at De Gruyter Mouton (2018-2022)
- Spatial Asymmetries across Languages: a typological approach - SALTA (ANR)

Grants (externally funded):

- Five Languages of Eurasia (www.philol.msu.ru/~languedoc), supported by the National Science Foundation (#0553546, 2006-2011, fieldwork). Funding: \$480,280.
- Eastern Armenian National Corpus (non-institutional, www.eanc.net), 2006-2009. Funding: private donor, on the order of \$ 500,000, co-PI
- Linguistic Convergence Laboratory (<https://ilcl.hse.ru/en/>), a research center with the status similar to that of European *centers of excellence* intended to attract international collaboration and promote academic visibility of HSE University, supported by the Russian government for two three-year rounds in 2016-2019 and 2019-2022; co-author of the original application and leading research fellow since the beginning of the Lab to 2022. Funding: state-funded, on the order of € 1 mln. (**one of the three PIs**)

Grants (internally funded by HSE University):

- One of the four co-founders of the School of Linguistics at the HSE University, from 2011 to 2022 (ling.hse.ru/en/)
- Evolution of Semantic Systems (Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics - Nijmegen, www.mpi.nl/eoss) - member of the consortium (supervising the Russian dataset)
- Atlas of Daghestanian Multilingualism (<https://multidagestan.com/>) - **second PI**, from 2011 to 2022
- Laboratory of the Languages of the Caucasus, HSE University, **head of the Laboratory**; PI (2014-2016)
- Ustja River Basin Corpus (<http://parasolcorpus.org/Pushkino>), **one of the three PIs**, 2013-2017

Individual research grants, including:

- 2014, 14-01-0095 HSE: Logophoric reflexive pronouns and speech reporting in Archi: corpus data and intragenetic typology
- 1998, Pronominal plurality, supported by Open Society Support Foundation

A series of projects funded by the Linguistic Convergence Laboratory

- Daghestanian Loanwords (<http://lingconlab.ru/dagloans/>, 2017-2020) - PI, resulted in the publication of a paper in *Language*
- Swadesh lists from Daghestan (<http://lingconlab.ru/dagswadesh/>, 2020 to the present)
- Acoustic research on ejectives, pharyngealization and pharyngeals in Daghestan, in cooperation with Dr. Sven Grawunder (Halle) and Dr. Alexandre Arkhipov (Hamburg), ongoing; resulted in a publication at *Phonetica* and several ICPHS proceedings
- Typological Atlas of Daghestan (<http://lingconlab.ru/dagatlas/>), **founder and one of the three PIs**

Research output:

see the list of publications

Varia:

Occasional reviewer for: *Baltic Linguistics*, *Humanities & Social Sciences Communications*, *Italian Journal of Linguistics*, *Journal of English Linguistics*, *Journal of Historical Linguistics*, *Journal of Linguistics*, *Language and Linguistic Compass*, *Language*, *Language Variation and Change*, *Lingua*, *Linguistica Petropolitana*, *Linguistics*, *Linguistic Typology*, *Linguistic Typology at the Crossroads*, *Rhema*, *Studies in Language*, *Voprosy Jazykoznanija*.

European Science Foundation evaluator: panel member for the evaluation of applications via Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation of Georgia (November 2021)

Invited lectures to research groups, students of different levels and plenaries at conferences: Halle University (2024), , University Lyon 3 (2024), University of Hong Kong (2024), University of Helsinki (2009), University of Trondheim (2009), MPI Leipzig (2010), University of Regensburg (2012), University of Milwaukee (2015), University of Almaty (2016), Laboratoire Dynamique du Langage (Lyon, 2016), University of Düsseldorf (2016, 2018), University of Pavia (2016, 2017, 2019, 2021), University of Stockholm (2017), University of Lyon (2017), Nazarbaev University in Astana (2019), University of Batumi (2019), New York University (2019), University of New Mexico (2019, online), University of Hamburg (2021, online), University of Frankfurt (2021, online), Online Course on East Caucasian Linguistics (2020, 2021), University of Hamburg (a mini-course of four lectures together with Nina Dobrushina, 2022), University of Kiel (2022), University of Tübingen (2023), UPV/EHU (Vitoria, 2023).

Research supervision and leadership experience:

Supervisor of several student research groups, including:

- Lexical changes in Russian. 19th-20th centuries (Higher School of Economics, grant for a student-teacher research group) in 2010-2011, one of the PIs, resulted in the publication of an edited volume
- A Corpus Study of Variation among the Speakers of the Ustja Dialect (2013-2014, one of the PIs; 14-05-0034), resulted in the publication of a paper in *Language Variation and Change* in 2019; see also

parasolcorpus.org/Pushkino; in certain years, the fieldwork team involved students from the University of Bern

- Field study of Mehweb Dargwa (2016-2017, one of the PIs), resulted in the publication of a collective volume by Language Science Press in 2019
- Field study of Kina Rutul (2018-2022, one of the PIs)

Supervision of MA and Ba theses and term papers:

Dozens of papers, including the following prize-winning:

- Anastasia Alekseeva. First prize in 2022. *Morfologija sistem tipa Minimal-Augmented (na materiale jazykov Južnoj Ameriki)* [Minimal-augmented systems in the languages of South America]
- Maksim Bažukov. Second prize in 2020. *Dinamika rasširenija n-form mestoimenija tret'ego lica s formami sravnitel'noš'tepeni (po dannym korpusa)* [A corpus study of the expansion of *n*-forms of the third person pronoun with comparatives]
- Ekaterina Vološina. Honorary mention in 2020. *Diachroničeskiĭ vzgljad na tipologiju padežnogo kodirovanija adresata reči* [The typology of case marking of Addressee of Speech: a diachronic view]
- Polina Nasledskova and Ivan Netkačev. First prize in 2018. *Ordinal numerals in Northeast Caucasian languages as a shared grammaticalization.*

Supervision of PhD projects:

- *Correlative constructions in Ossetic* by Oleg Belyaev (2014)
- *Evidentiality as part of the TAM system in East Caucasian* by Samira Verhees (2019)
- *Lexification of mixed languages* (Ekaterina Gridneva)
- *Typology of ordinality* (Polina Nasledskova)
- *Valency alternations in Neo-Aramaic* (Elena Shvedova)

Teaching merits:

MA and BA courses at the HSE University (Moscow) and Lomonosov Moscow State University. Teaching at HSE MA level is done in English.

2024-2025

- Introduction to Sociolinguistics (University of Tübingen) 2024-25 (winter semester, in English)
- [Introduction to Mehweb](#) (ILARA EPHE) 2024 (Fall semester, in French)

2005-2022

- Introduction to Linguistics - BA (School of Linguistics HSE)
- Introduction to Language Diversity - Languages of Russia - BA (School of Linguistics HSE)
- Morphology - BA (School of Linguistics HSE)
- Typology of Grammatical Categories - BA (School of Linguistics)
- Sociolinguistics - BA (Lomonosov Moscow State University)
- Linguistic Typology - BA (School of Linguistics HSE) (co-taught with Yury Lander)
- Introduction to Linguistic Families and Areas of the World - BA (School of Linguistics HSE) (minor contribution, co-taught with Yury Lander)
- Sociolinguistics - MA (School of Linguistics HSE) (in English)

- Typology - MA (School of Linguistics HSE) (in English)

Awards and honours:

- member of the Academia Europaea, from 2023 (www.ae-info.org)
- member of the editorial board of the Journal of the Languages of the Caucasus (<https://escholarship.org/uc/languagesofcaucasus>), from 2015 to the present
- 2001 Association for Linguistic Typology award for the best PhD in linguistic typology
- Best professor award from the HSE University in 2017 for the contribution to the development of the university (www.hse.ru/gold/cm/progress_lecturer/2017/daniel)
- Best professor by students' choice in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022

Various events:

- Member of the organizing committee of the Online Overview Course on East Caucasian Languages (2019) and of the Second Online Course on East Caucasian Languages (2020) (see https://ilcl.hse.ru/en/east_caucasian/)
- Member of the organizing committee of the International Summer School on Areal Linguistics and the Languages of Russia in 2018 (<https://ling.hse.ru/indling2018/>)

Scientific and societal impact:

- Public lectures at Moscow's schools in the 2010s to enroll students to BA programmes in linguistics
 - Interview on minority languages here: <https://sysblok.ru/interviews/jazyk-i-tochka-nevozvrata-intervju-s-lingvistom-mihailom-danijelem-o-sohranении-jazykov-i-jazykovom-raznoobrazii/>
 - Public lecture on contact varieties of Russian: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WjrWUkeIVKc>
 - A podcast on my research is available from the website of Collegium de Lyon here (in French): <https://collegium.universite-lyon.fr/podcast-confluence-of-research-worlds-studying-linguistic-typology-within-the-astonishing-diversity-of-languages-in-dagestan-with-michael-daniel-331895.kjsp>
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