

# TRISTIN JARVIS

## THE BLACK LINGUIST

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### SUMMARY

Passionate and curious emerging linguist eager to explore the rich diversity of language, culture, and communication. Bringing a fresh perspective fueled by a strong foundation in English and cross-cultural experience, I'm excited to develop my skills in phonetics, syntax, sociolinguistics, and language documentation. Known for my enthusiasm, adaptability, and commitment to amplifying underrepresented voices, I aim to grow as a thoughtful researcher and advocate in the field of linguistics. Ready to learn, collaborate, and contribute to projects that celebrate linguistic diversity and social justice.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Entry-Level Linguist | Self-Directed Development Plan

January 2026 - December 2029

- **Self Assessment:** Achieve advanced proficiency in English linguistics, including phonetics, syntax, semantics, and sociolinguistics by 2027.
- Regularly practice and improve Japanese language skills to support cross-linguistic research and cultural competence.
- Complete standardized language proficiency assessments (e.g., CEFR, JLPT) with target scores by 2028.
- **Teaching & Tutoring Experience:**
- Provide English language instruction and tutoring to diverse learners, focusing on grammar, pronunciation, and communication skills.
- Develop lesson plans incorporating linguistic principles to enhance student understanding and engagement.
- Collect feedback and adapt teaching methods to improve learner outcomes.
- **Research & Academic Development:**
- Engage in independent and guided research projects on language variation, dialects, or language preservation.
- Present findings in academic or community forums to build public speaking and scholarly communication skills.
- Pursue relevant coursework and certifications in linguistics, language documentation, or computational linguistics.
- **Community & Cultural Engagement:**
- Participate in linguistic communities or organizations that focus on Black linguistics and language justice.
- Volunteer or collaborate on projects that document and celebrate underrepresented dialects and languages.
- Advocate for linguistic diversity and inclusion through social media, blogs, or public talks.
- **Professional Growth & Networking:**
- Attend linguistics conferences, workshops, and seminars to expand knowledge and professional connections.
- Seek mentorship from established linguists and contribute to collaborative projects.
- Build a portfolio of linguistic analyses, teaching materials, and presentations to demonstrate growing expertise.

### SKILLS

**Foundational linguistics:** phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, sociolinguistics, language acquisition and documentation, transcription and linguistic data analysis, language teaching and cross-cultural communication, academic writing and public speaking, proficient with linguistic software (Praat, ELAN), bilingual proficiency (English and Japanese), language preservation and advocacy, discourse analysis, language variation, dialectology, understanding of language policy and language advocacy

### EDUCATION

#### B.A. in English

June 2026

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

- Relevant coursework, study abroad, awards

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Languages:** English, Japanese
- **Certifications:** Online Certification, Course Completion, Registration, License, etc.