



Aislinn Keogh

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Education

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| 2021 – present | PhD in Linguistics and English Language <i>Centre for Language Evolution, University of Edinburgh, UK</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Working title: <i>The role of working memory in the cultural evolution of linguistic structure</i>Supervisors: Professors Jennifer Culbertson and Simon Kirby |
| 2020 – 2021 | MSc with Distinction in Evolution of Language and Cognition <i>University of Edinburgh, UK</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dissertation: <i>Do memory limitations provide a selective pressure for languages to develop compositional structure? An experimental investigation</i>Supervisor: Professor Simon Kirby |
| 2010 – 2013 | BA with First Class Honours in Linguistics <i>Newcastle University, UK</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dissertation: <i>An evolutionary perspective on the role of memory in language processing and production</i>Supervisor: Professor Maggie Tallerman |
| 2003 – 2010 | High school education <i>Rugby High School, Warwickshire, UK</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A Levels: English Language (A*), French (A*), Classical Civilisation (A), English Literature (A)12 GCSEs (A*-B) |

Skills

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| Languages | English (first language), French (B1), Spanish (A2), Norwegian Bokmål (A2) |
| Programming | Python, R, JavaScript, Markdown, \LaTeX , HTML |
| Data analysis | Frequentist methods, Bayesian methods, tidyverse, ggplot, pandas, Matplotlib |
| Experiments | jsPsych, Prolific, Amazon Mechanical Turk |
| Other | Git, GitHub, Microsoft Office |

Teaching

2021 – present

Tutor

University of Edinburgh, UK

- Online Experiments for Language Scientists
- Simulating Language
- Origins and Evolution of Language
- Introduction to Programming with Turtles
- Intermediate Programming in Python

2021 – 2022

PPLS Skills Centre Tutor

University of Edinburgh, UK

- 1-1 writing consultation appointments with undergraduate and masters students

Publications

2022 | **Keogh, A.**, Kirby, S., & Culbertson, J. (2022). In search of a unified mechanism for regularisation of linguistic variation. *Proceedings of the 23rd Amsterdam Colloquium*, 360–366.

Presentations

Talks

- Feb 2023 | *Memory limitations and the regularisation of linguistic variation: learning or production effects?* 31st Conference of the Student Organization of Linguistics in Europe
- Dec 2022 | *In search of a unified mechanism for regularisation of linguistic variation.* Workshop on Biases in Language and Cognition, 23rd Amsterdam Colloquium
- Sep 2022 | *Do memory limitations provide a selective pressure for languages to become more regular as they evolve?* Centre for Language Evolution, University of Edinburgh
- Oct 2020 | *Working memory and its implications for language evolution.* Cognitive Linguistics Research Group, University of Edinburgh

Posters

- Apr 2023 | *The role of production for morphosyntactic generalisation.* 77th Language Lunch, University of Edinburgh (Winner: Best Poster)
- Dec 2022 | *In search of a unified mechanism for regularisation of linguistic variation.* Workshop on Biases in Language and Cognition, 23rd Amsterdam Colloquium
- Dec 2022 | *Regularisation of linguistic variation arises from both learning and production biases.* 76th Language Lunch, University of Edinburgh

Professional service

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| 2022 | Student Organiser Edinburgh Lectures in Language Evolution |
| | Reviewer 1st Language and Interaction Network event, University of Edinburgh |

Funding

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| 2020 – 2024 | ESRC-funded 1+3 studentship Scottish Graduate School of Social Science |
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Awards

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| 2013 | Barbara Strang Award <i>Newcastle University</i> Highest overall result across all English Language and Linguistics graduates |
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Employment

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| Apr 2018 – Aug 2020 | Senior Press Officer Office for Students, Bristol, UK |
| May 2016 – Mar 2018 | Press and Communications Adviser Office for Fair Access, Bristol, UK |
| Dec 2013 – Apr 2016 | Student Recruitment Officer University Centre Weston, Weston-super-Mare, UK |
| Jun 2012 – Sep 2012 | Warehouse Administrator Le Groupe Aldo, Montréal, QC, Canada |
| Oct 2010 – June 2013 | Student Ambassador Newcastle University, Newcastle, UK |