

# Pavel Iosad

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## Positions held

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2013–present

Lecturer in Theoretical Phonology, The University of Edinburgh, Scotland

2012–2013

Lecturer in Language and Linguistics, University of Ulster, Northern Ireland

2007–2012

Pre-doctoral research fellow, Center for Advanced Study in Theoretical Linguistics (CASTL), University of Tromsø, Norway  
(temporary leave July–December 2010)

July–December 2010

Research assistant to [Dr Øystein Vangsnes](#), Center for Advanced Study in Theoretical Linguistics (CASTL), University of Tromsø, Norway  
Work on *Nordnorsk satt på kartet* (*Putting Northern Norwegian on the map*)

## Education

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2007–2012

PhD in Linguistics, University of Tromsø, Tromsø, Norway  
Thesis: *Representation and variation in substance-free phonology: a case study in Celtic*  
Supervisor: [Dr Bruce Morén-Duolljá](#)  
External examiners: [Dr Keren Rice](#), [Dr SJ Hannahs](#)  
Internal examiner: [Dr Martin Krämer](#)

2002–2007

Specialist (roughly MA equivalent) with distinction in theoretical and applied linguistics  
Moscow State University, Moscow, Russian Federation  
Thesis: *Initial consonant mutations in the world's languages: typology, theory, diachrony*  
Supervisor: [Dr Vladimir Plungian](#)  
Examiner: [Dr Sergei Knyazev](#)

## Publications

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### Journal articles

2012

Vowel reduction in Russian: no phonetics in phonology. *Journal of Linguistics* 48(3), 521–571.

A representational approach to final devoicing and vowel lengthening in Friulian. *Lingua* 122(8), 922–951

2008

Teoriya optimal'nosti: obzor osnovnoj literatury. In Russian: 'Optimality Theory. A survey of the principal literature'. *Voprosy jazykoznanija* 4, 104–121

### Articles in edited volumes

2013

*Head-dependent asymmetries in Munster Irish prosody*. In *Nordlyd* 40(1), Special XL Issue: A Festschrift on the occasion of X years of CASTL phonology and Curt Rice's Lth birthday, eds Sylvia Blaho, Martin Krämer and Bruce Morén-Duolljá, 66–107

2010

*Right at the left edge: initial consonant mutations in the world's languages*. In Michael Cysouw and Jan Wohlgemuth (eds.) *Rethinking universals: How rarities affect linguistic theory*. (Empirical Approaches to Language Typology 45.) Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter. Pp. 105–138

*Kassitskij jazyk* [Cassite]. In N. N. Kazanskij, A. A. Kibrik and Yu. B. Koryakov (eds) *Jazyki mira. Drevnije reliktovyje jazyki Perednej Azii* [Languages of the world. Ancient relic languages of the Middle East]. Moscow: Academia (RAS Institute of Linguistics). Pp. 184–187. (In Russian.)

### Book reviews

2009

Zaliznjak, A. A. 2008. *Drevnerusskie ènklitiki* [Enclitics in Old Russian]. Moscow: Jazyki slavyanskoj kul'tury. *Voprosy jazykoznanija*, vol. 5/2009, pp. 132–136 (in Russian)

2005

Mattissen, Johanna, 2003. *Dependent-Head Synthesis in Nivkh: A Contribution to a Typology of Polysynthesis*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. *Voprosy jazykoznanija*, vol. 1/2005, pp. 135–140 (in Russian)

## Encyclopædic articles

### Various years

Articles for *Bol'saja Rossijskaja ènciklopedija*:

*Vakaškije jazyki* (Wakashan languages), *Irlandskij jazyk* (Irish [Gaelic]), *Idoma*, *Yoruba*, *Idžoidnyje jazyki* (Ijoid languages), *Irokezskije jazyki* (Iroquois languages), *Kel'tskije jazyki* (Celtic languages), *Kornskij jazyk* (Cornish)

## Presentations

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2012

(with Patrick Honeybone) *Phonemicization vs. phonologization: voiced fricatives in Old English and Brythonic*. 2013 Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain, School of Oriental and African Studies, London, UK.

*Non-contrastive epenthetic segments as surface prosodic structure*. 21st Manchester Phonology Meeting, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK

*Glottal stop insertion in Scottish Gaelic and contrastive syllabification*. Teangeolaíocht na Gaeilge / Cànanachas na Gàidhlig / The Linguistics of the Gaelic Languages XV, University College Dublin, Dublin, Republic of Ireland

2012

*The phonological endgame: Welsh svarabhakti revisited*. New Researchers Forum in Linguistics, University of Manchester and University of Salford, Manchester, UK

*Phonetic realization is irrelevant for phonological representation: the case of Celtic laryngeal phonology*. Research Seminar in Language and Linguistics, University of Ulster, Jordanstown, Northern Ireland.

*In defence of Richness of the Base: context-free weight in Welsh*. CASTL Decennium Conference, University of Tromsø/CASTL, Tromsø, Norway.

*A unified account of the behaviour of high vowels in Breton*. 7th Celtic Linguistics Conference, University of Rennes II, Rennes, France.

*Deconstructing mutation in Breton*. Workshop on the Selection and Representation of Morphological Exponents, University of Tromsø/CASTL, Tromsø, Norway.

*Laryngeal realism revisited: voicelessness in Breton*. 20th Manchester Phonology Meeting, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK.

*'Pitch accent' and prosodic structure in Scottish Gaelic: historical implications*. 11th International Conference of Nordic and General Linguistics, University of Freiburg, Freiburg, Germany.

2011

*Explaining licensing mismatches in Welsh*. Old World Conference in Phonology 8, Marrakech, Morocco.

*On (some) dimensions of headship in phonology*. The PJ Workshop, University of Tromsø/CASTL, Tromsø, Norway.

2010

*Final devoicing and vowel lengthening in the north of Italy: a representational approach*. Going Romance 24, Leiden University, Leiden, Netherlands.

*A bad case of excessive computation: the rôle of morphology in palatalization-related alternations in Russian.* Workshop on Morphosyntax – Phonology Interface Theories, Leiden University, Leiden, Netherlands. (Invited.)

*How good is the internal evidence for multiple-level phonological computation? A view from Russian.* ‘What’s in a word? Exploring the relationship between syntax and phonology’, University of Tromsø/CASTL, Tromsø, Norway.

*Incomplete neutralization and unorthodox markedness in Breton laryngeal phonology.* 6th Celtic Linguistics Conference, University College Dublin, Dublin, Republic of Ireland

*Feature geometry meets contrastive specification: incomplete neutralization reloaded.* 18th Manchester Phonology Meeting, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK

*A good old-fashioned approach to Russian palatalization.* Invited talk, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway.

(with Bruce Morén-Duolljá) *Russian palatalization: the true(r) story.* Old World Conference in Phonology 7, University of Nice, Nice, France

(poster presentation) *Structure versus prominence: evidence from Munster Irish.* Old World Conference in Phonology 7, University of Nice, Nice, France

2009

(with Bruce Morén-Duolljá) *Russian (morpho)phonological palatalization: a holistic approach.* Formal Description of Slavic Languages 8, University of Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany

*Cuique suum: vowel reduction in Russian.* Formal Description of Slavic Languages 8, University of Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany

*Tre problemar i russisk fonologi: vokaler, palatalisering og nivåer.* In Norwegian: ‘Three problems in Russian phonology: vowels, palatalization, and levels’. Novemberseminaret i russisk, University of Tromsø, Tromsø, Norway

*Russian palatalization in substance-free phonology.* CASTL Colloquium series, University of Tromsø, Tromsø, Norway

*Sandhi, mutation, and contrast: laryngeal phonology in Plougrescant Breton.* Toronto – Tromsø Phonology Workshop, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada

*Russian vowel reduction without functional motivation.* Third Scandinavian PhD Conference in Linguistics and Philology. University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway

*Cuique suum: vowel reduction in Russian.* Laboratory Phonology course workshop. University of Tromsø, Tromsø, Norway

2008

*Fonetikk versus fonologi: den ubehagelige sannheten om vokalreduksjon i russisk.* In Norwegian: ‘Phonetics vs phonology: the inconvenient truth about Russian vowel reduction’. Novemberseminaret i russisk, University of Tromsø, Tromsø, Norway

*Too many levels, too few solutions: mutations and postlexical phonology in Breton.* 16th Manchester Phonology Meeting, University of Manchester, Manchester, UK

*All that glistens is not gold: against autosegmental approaches to initial consonant mutation.* GLOW 31 Colloquium, Newcastle University, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

*Liquids and spirants: a phonological perspective*. GLOW workshop on ‘Categorical phonology and gradient facts’, Newcastle University, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

*Against autosegmental approaches to initial consonant mutation*. CASTL Colloquium series, University of Tromsø, Tromsø, Norway

*Initial consonant mutation and information flow in Mende*. Old World Conference in Phonology 5, University of Toulouse II – Le Mirail, Toulouse, France

2007

*Leksikalizovannyje veršiny v vallijskom sintaksise*. In Russian: ‘Lexicalized heads in Welsh syntax’. Syntactic Structures 1, Russian State University for the Humanities, Moscow, Russia

*Phonological processes as lexical insertion: more evidence from Welsh and elsewhere*. Old World Conference in Phonology 4, University of the Aegean, Rhodes, Greece

2006

*Vallijskij jazyk i tipologija čeredovanij načal’nyx soglasnyx*. In Russian: ‘Welsh and the typology of initial consonant mutations’. Third Conference on Typology and Grammar for Young Researchers, Institute of Linguistic Studies (Russian Academy of Sciences), St. Petersburg, Russia

*Brythonic ‘second lenition’ revisited*. Second Colloquium of Societas Celto-Slavica, Moscow State University & Institute of Linguistics (Russian Academy of Sciences), Moscow, Russia

*Grammatikalizacija načal’nyx čeredovanij v vallijskom jazyke: nekotoryje nablyudenija*. In Russian: ‘Some observations on the grammaticalization of Welsh initial consonant mutations’. Moscow Student Conference in Linguistics, Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia

*Right at the left edge: Initial consonant mutations in the world’s languages*. Rara & Rarissima: Collecting and interpreting unusual characteristics of human languages, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany

2005

*K morfonologičeskoj tipologii: ‘reradikalizacija’ v jazykax mira*. In Russian: ‘On morphophonological typology: “reradicalization” in the world’s languages’. Second Conference on Typology and Grammar for Young Researchers, Institute of Linguistic Studies (Russian Academy of Sciences), St. Petersburg, Russia

(with A. G. Pazel’skaya, M. A. Tsyurupa) *Tipologičeski značimyje parametry glagol’noj leksiki: imperfektivirujuščije derivacii neneckogo jazyka*. In Russian: ‘Typologically significant parameters in the verbal lexicon: imperfectivizing derivations in Nenets’. Given at the Fourth International School in Linguistic Typology and Anthropology, Yerevan, Armenia

## Grants and awards

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2006

Grant under the ‘Talented Youth Support’ programme, National project ‘Education’ (Education and Science Ministry of Russia)

‘Some observations on the grammaticalization of initial consonant mutations in Welsh’ recognized as ‘best presentation in the Theoretical and Applied Linguistics section’, ‘Lomonosov’ International Scientific Olympiad (Moscow State University, Moscow, Russian Federation)

2002

Winner of the Nationwide Competition in Russian language, Pskov, Russian Federation (1st place)

Winner of the Nationwide Competition in mathematical and computational linguistics, Ruse, Bulgaria (1st place)

2001

Winner of the 32nd Traditional Olympiad in linguistics and mathematics for high school students, Moscow State University & Russian State University for the Humanities (1st place)

2000

Winner of the 31st Traditional Olympiad in linguistics and mathematics for high school students, Moscow State University & Russian State University for the Humanities (1st place)

## Teaching

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The University of Edinburgh

Honours Foundation Phonology and Phonetics

University of Ulster

CMM728 Theoretical Approaches to the Phonetics and Phonology of English

CMM302 Linguistics for Clinicians 2

CMM151 Linguistic Analysis

CMM351 Linguistic Theory

CMM317 Research Methods

CMM521 Current Issues in Linguistic Theory

CMM727 Critical Review

University of Tromsø

LIN-1014 Historical Linguistics

EXF-0720, EXF-0723 *Examen facultatum* for the humanities

RUS-2040 Structures of Russian

RUS-3010 Language and Literature of Medieval Russia

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X for Linguists

LIN-1030 Phonetics

## Fieldwork experience

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2003–2004

Tundra Nenets (Nel'min Nos, Nenets Autonomous District, Russian Federation. Part of Moscow State University linguistic expedition), 5 weeks total

## Computer skills

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### General

Linux, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, HTML/CSS

### Programming

Common Lisp, Python (fair knowledge); Haskell, Clojure, JavaScript (some knowledge); C, R, SQL, Ruby (basic knowledge)

### Specialized

Praat, Xerox finite-state software (xfst, lexc), PC-KIMMO

## Language skills

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### Russian

Native

### English

Proficient (IELTS General, overall band 8.5)

### Norwegian

Advanced (Test i norsk—høyere nivå, bok-mål: 650/700)

### Swedish

Advanced (9 semesters at university level)

### Italian

Intermediate to advanced (7 semesters at university level)

### French

Good reading knowledge

### German

Good reading knowledge

### Welsh

Fair, extensive structural knowledge

### Ukrainian

Fair

### Irish

Elementary, good structural knowledge

### Scottish Gaelic

Elementary

### Breton

Elementary, good structural knowledge

### Tundra Nenets

Fieldwork experience

### Ancient

Latin (fair knowledge), Middle Welsh (fair knowledge), Old Russian (fair knowledge), Old Irish, Sanskrit, Old Church Slavic

## Other professional service

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### Reviewing

Journals: *Lingua*, *Cognitive Linguistics*, *Journal of the International Phonetic Association*

Abstracts: Moscow Student Conference in Linguistics, Old World Conference in Phonology

Proceedings: *Formal Description of Slavic Languages*, *Going Romance*, *Nordlyd*

Edited volumes: John Benjamins

## Publishing

Typesetting support for *Oslo Studies in Language* (OSLa) journal

## Website management

Website management for [Generative Linguistics in the Old World](#) (GLOW), [Saami Documentation and Revitalization Network](#)

## Membership in professional organizations

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2012–present

The Philological Society

2012–present

Linguistics Association of Great Britain

2009–present

Societas Celtologica Europaea