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Education

M.A., Language Acquisition in Multilingual Settings University of the Basque Country, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain	September 2024 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thesis (in progress): <i>The impact of task modality and learner anxiety on the production of LREs in L3 French</i>• Supervisor: Dr. María del Pilar García Mayo	
B.A., Multilingual Communication TH Köln – University of Applied Sciences, Cologne, Germany	September 2020 - December 2024

Semester Abroad University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA	August - December 2022
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Scholarships and Awards	
Study and Internship Program , UAS7 e.V., Tuition funding to the University of Pittsburgh, \$18,660	2022
PROMOS Scholarship , German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), 2,650€	2022

Research Experience

Graduate Student University of the Basque Country, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain	September 2024 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conducting an independent empirical study for my M.A. thesis under the supervision of Dr. María del Pilar García Mayo, investigating the acquisition of French as a third language in Year 9 secondary school students in Germany.• Designed the study, coordinated data collection with the participating school, collected the data, and am currently conducting data analysis.	

Research Intern The Basque Center on Cognition, Brain, and Language, Donostia–San Sebastián, Spain	June - August 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interned with the <i>Educational Neurosciences and Developmental Disorders</i> group, assisting with an ongoing study investigating speech production markers in first graders (pre–reading instruction) linked to poor phonological processing and their potential to predict reading ability.• Using <i>Praat</i>, I identified and extracted one of the speech markers under investigation.	

Professional Experience

Upcoming Schuman Trainee European Parliament, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg	March - July 2026
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I am delighted to soon join the Speech Processing and Language Accessibility Unit of the Directorate-General for Translation at the European Parliament's Secretariat.	

Journalist and Journalism Intern

August 2021 - August 2022

Kölner Stadt-Anzeiger, Cologne, Germany

- During a month-long internship and subsequently as a freelancer, I reported on local socio-cultural and political events through articles published in both print and online.

Volunteering

German Language Mentor

May 2025 - Present

A Little World gemeinnützige UG

- Facilitating weekly video calls with immigrants and refugees in Germany, providing opportunities to practice German with a native speaker, build confidence, and receive informal support with everyday language challenges.

Reading Buddy

January - October 2024

Stiftung LeseAllianz Leseförderung & Bildung gemeinnützige UG

- Led weekly engaging and interactive virtual reading sessions, focusing on enhancing elementary schoolers' reading fluency and making reading a joyful experience.

Teaching Assistant

October 2023 - June 2024

European Solidarity Corps, Blois, France

- Developed and implemented engaging English, German, and French as Foreign Language lessons; provided one-on-one tutoring and group instruction for classes of up to 20 pupils.

Languages

- German: Native fluency
- English: Near native fluency
- French: Near native fluency
- Spanish: Intermediate