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Research interests

Formal semantics and syntax, historical linguistics. **Formal semantics:** attitudes, mood and modality, polarity items **Syntax:** clausal complementation, negation, negative concord. **Historical linguistics:** diachronic corpora, language change

Education

Academic degrees.....

École Normale Supérieure (ENS) **Sep. 2022**

PhD in Language Sciences

• **Title:** "La négation explétive: des impératifs aux connecteurs. Approche diachronique et formelle" ([can be accessed here](#))

• **Advisor:** Alda Mari

• **Committee:** Hedde Zeijlstra, Anamaria Falaus, Regine Eckardt, Anastasia Giannakidou, Salvador Mascarenhas

École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS) **Feb. 2018**

MA in Arts and Language

Graduated with High Honors

Université Paris-Nanterre **Nov. 2015**

Dual BA in Philosophy and Modern French Literature

Research stays.....

Universität Konstanz **Fall 2019**

Visiting Graduate Student

Employment history

Research Engineer **June 2022–June 2023**

Université d'Orléans

Search and tagging of the ESLO (Enquêtes Sociolinguistiques à Orléans) corpus of spoken French – Team coordination of applied linguistics research activities.

Teaching activities

Initiation to corpus linguistics **Fall 2022**

Lecturer

Hours: 17 of 2 ECTS credits. Institution: Université d'Orléans. Degree: Master in Language Sciences

Introduction to semantics: language, truth and possible worlds **Fall 2019**

Guest Lecturer

Responsible: Alda Mari. Hours: 4 (2 lectures). Institution: EHESS. Degree: MA

Scientific review activities

Review of a monograph for Peter Lang

Organization of conferences

Doctoral seminar Doc'n Nicod (ENS)

Sept. 2022–Sept. 2019

Co-organizer (with A.Lavalle)

Workshop Meaning and Commitment (ENS)

April 2018

Co-organizer (with A.Mari, C.Beyssade and A.Bedel)

Prizes, awards, fellowships

DAAD Short-term Research Grant

Fall 2019

Personal Skills

Language skills.....

French: Native

English: Advanced

Spanish: Intermediate (B2)

Russian: Pre Intermediate (A2)

Old French: Advanced reading

Latin: Intermediate reading

Digital skills.....

Languages: L^AT_EX, HTML, XML

Softwares: TXM

Publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals

Tahar, Chloé and Mari, Alda. 2023 (in press). **Turning expletive : from embedded speech-acts to embedded propositions.** *Canadian Journal of Linguistics*

Peer-reviewed conference proceedings

Tahar, Chloé. 2021. **Apprehensive and frustratives uses of before.** *Semantic and Linguistic Theory (SALT)* 31: 606–628. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3765/salt.v31i0.5073>

Tahar, Chloé. 2021. *Craindre* ('fear') and expletive negation in diachrony. *Romance Languages and Linguistic Theory 2018: Selected papers from 'Going Romance' 32, Utrecht*: 287–302. Edited by Sergio, Baauw; Frank Drijkoningen et Luisa Meroni. *Current Issues in Linguistic Theory* 357. John Benjamins. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1075/cilt.357.15tah>

Mari, Alda and **Tahar, Chloé.** 2020. Negative priorities: evidence from prohibitive and expletive negations. *Sinn und Bedeutung*, Vol 24, No 2: 56-71. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.18148/sub/2020.v24i2.886>

Contribution to conferences

Tahar, Chloé. November 2022. Leaving prohibition behind: the development of expletive negation with apprehensional modals in Old French. *Modality in historical stages: methods and resources for investigating modality.* University of Neuchâtel.

Tahar, Chloé. June 2022. Grammaticalization in a harmonic environment: The case of expletive negation in French. *La postmodalité et les cycles de vie des expressions modales*, University of Caen.

Tahar, Chloé. May 2021. Apprehensive and frustrative uses of before with expletive negation (poster). *Semantic and Linguistic Theory (SALT)* 31. Brown University.

Tahar, Chloé. February 2021. Expletive negation : from embedded speech-acts to embedded propositions. *43rd Annual Meeting of the German Linguistics Society*. University of Freiburg.

Mari, Alda and **Tahar, Chloé.** September 2019. From Prohibitive to Expletive negation. *Sinn und Bedeutung* 24. University of Osnabrück.

Tahar, Chloé. August 2019. *Craindre* ('fear') : descriptive and performative uses. *ESSLLI Student Session 2019*. University of Riga.

Tahar, Chloé. December 2018. The syntactic change of expletive negation from Latin to French (poster). *Going Romance 2018*. University of Utrecht.

Tahar, Chloé. October 2018. On the semantics of expletive negation. *Philosophy of Language and Mind (PLM) Masterclass with Angelika Kratzer*. University of Salzburg.

Tahar, Chloé. August 2018. On the semantics of expletive negation. *52nd Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea*. University of Tallinn.

Tahar, Chloé. June 2018. *Craindre* ('fear') and expletive negation in the history of French. *13th Chronos Conference*. University of Neuchâtel

Publications in preparation

Tahar, Chloé (in preparation) Leaving prohibition behind: the development of expletive negation in the history of French