

Chloé TAHAR

Employment

Postdoctoral Researcher <i>University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland</i> Institut des Sciences du Langage	2023–
Research Engineer <i>University of Orléans, France</i> Laboratoire Ligérien de Linguistique	2022–2023

Education

PhD in Linguistics <i>École Normale Supérieure (ENS), France</i> Dissertation: “ Expletive negation: From imperatives to connectives. A diachronic and formal approach (in French)”. Supervisor: Alda Mari. Jury: Régine Eckardt, Anamaria Fălăuș, Anastasia Giannakidou, Salvador Mascarenhas, Hedde Zeijlstra. Defense date: April 22, 2022	2017-2022
Master in Arts and Language <i>École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), France</i> High Honors	2015-2017
Double Bachelor in Philosophy and Modern Literature <i>University of Paris-Nanterre, France</i>	2012-2015

Grants and Fellowships

Prominence Fellowship <i>University of Cologne, Germany</i>	Fall 2026
DAAD Fellowship <i>University of Konstanz, Germany</i>	Fall 2019

Teaching

At the University of Neuchâtel	
Corpus Linguistics: Introduction <i>Main Instructor</i> Hours: 72. Audience: Bachelor in Linguistics	Fall 2023-2025
Discourse Linguistics <i>Guest Lecturer</i> Main instructor: Corinne Rossari. Hours: 12. Audience: Bachelor in Literature	Spring 2024-2025
General Linguistics <i>Guest Lecturer</i> Main instructor: Corinne Rossari. Hours: 6. Audience: Bachelor in Literature	Fall 2023-2025

Corpus Linguistics: collective seminar Fall 2023-2025
Guest Lecturer
Hours: 12. Audience: Master in Linguistics

At the University of Orléans Fall 2022
Initiation to linguistic corpora
Main Instructor
Hours: 18. Audience: Master in Linguistics

At the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales Fall 2019
Introduction to Semantics: Language, Truth, and Possible Worlds
Guest Lecturer
Main instructor: Alda Mari. Hours: 4. Audience: Master in Arts and Language/Philosophy of Language and Mind

Service

Conference and Workshop Organization

“History of Negation” Research Group <i>Co-organizer (with E. Bar-Asher Siegal and C. Gianollo)</i>	2024–
Doctoral Seminar Doc'n Nicod (ENS) <i>Co-organizer (with A. Lavalle)</i>	2018–2019
Workshop “Meaning and Commitment” (ENS) <i>Co-organizer (with A. Bedel, C. Beyssade, and A. Mari)</i>	April 2018

Reviewing

Reviewer for Journals: Natural Language Semantics, Natural Language & Linguistic Theory
Reviewer for Conferences: Sinn und Bedeutung, LSA Annual Meeting
Reviewer for Publishers: Peter Lang

Personal Skills

Language Skills

French: Native	English: Advanced
Spanish: Intermediate (B2)	Russian: Pre-Intermediate (A2)
Latin: Intermediate Proficiency	Old French: Advanced Proficiency

Digital Skills

Markup Languages: XML, XML-TEI	Software: TXM, Hyperbase
Programming Languages: R	

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journals

- Tahar, Chloé and Mari, Alda. (2023). Turning expletive: from embedded speech-acts to embedded propositions. **Canadian Journal of Linguistics** 68(4):590-614.

Peer-Reviewed Conference Proceedings

- Tahar, Chloé. (2021). Apprehensive and frustrative uses of *before*. **Semantic and Linguistic Theory (SALT)** 31: 606–628. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3765/salt.v31i0.5073>
- Mari, Alda, and Tahar, Chloé. (2020). Negative priorities: Evidence from prohibitive and expletive Negations. **Sinn und Bedeutung**, Vol 24, No 2: 56-71.

Book Chapters

- Rossari, Corinne, and Tahar, Chloé. (forthcoming, in French) Ascribing point of view in encyclopedic discourse: The case of attitude reports in Wikipedia. *Sémantique, pragmatique, énonciation : nouvelles perspectives en sémantique argumentative*.
- Rossari, Corinne; Montrichard, Cyrielle; Ricci, Claudia; Tahar, Chloé, Pamuksac, Aylin, and Sanvido, Linda. (forthcoming). Measuring the degree of subjectivity conveyed by connectives across two discourse genres and languages. In *From Argumentativity to Argumentation*, Peter Lang.
- Rossari, Corinne; Aubry, Laura, and Tahar, Chloé. (2024, in French). Committing to or diluting enunciative responsibilities in the transmission of encyclopedic knowledge. In Anne Dister, Dominique Longrée (eds.) *JADT 2024, Mots Comptés, Textes Déchiffrés*, vol. 2: 803-812.
- 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, and Luisa Meroni. **Current Issues in Linguistic Theory** 357. John Benjamins.

Manuscripts

- Tahar, Chloé, and Mari, Alda. Expletive negation and the embedding of negative directives : a historical investigation
- Tahar, Chloé. Expletive negation and the emergence of Negative Concord in French
- Skrovec, Marie; Thörle, Britta; Badin, Flora and Tahar, Chloé. (manuscript, in French). ESLO-FLEU, or how to use a large corpus as a resource for teaching and learning spoken French: the challenges of corpus linguistics for educational purpose. Linx.

Presentations

Conference Presentations

- Tahar, Chloé. November 2025. “Expletive negation and Negative Concord in the history of French.” **Onward and Upward or Not : Form-meaning mismatches in Modality, Agreement, and Negation**. University of Göttingen. [poster]
- Tahar, Chloé, and Mari, Alda. November 2024. “Action-oriented apprehensives and the embedding of negative purpose adjuncts.” **Formal Diachronic Semantics 9**. University of Bologna.
- Tahar, Chloé, and Mari, Alda. February 2024. “Action-oriented apprehensives and the embedding of negative purpose adjuncts.” **DGfS 46th Annual Meeting**. University of Bochum.
- Tahar, Chloé, and Mari, Alda. October 2023. “Expletive negation’s elective affinities: Reconstructing their diachrony in French.” **Semantics and Philosophy in Europe 12**. University of Nice.

- 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.” *Postmodality and the Life Cycles of Modal Expressions*. University of Caen.
- Tahar, Chloé. February 2021. “Expletive negation: From embedded speech-acts to embedded propositions.” **DGfS 43rd Annual Meeting**. University of Freiburg.
- Tahar, Chloé. August 2019. “*Craindre* ('Fear'): constative and performative Uses.” *ESSLLI Student Session 2019*. University of Riga.
- 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.

Invited Speaker

- Tahar, Chloé. December 2025. Which one was true negation? Negation turning expletive from jussive to declarative complements. **LinG Colloquium**, University of Göttingen.
- Tahar, Chloé. March 2024. “Expletive negation from avertive marker to fear complementizer.” **SynSem Seminar**, University of Nantes.
- Tahar, Chloé, and Mari, Alda. October 2023. “Expletive negation’s elective affinities: Reconstructing their diachrony in French.” **‘History of Negation’ Research Group**, online meeting.
- Tahar, Chloé. April 2019. “From prohibitive to expletive negation.” **PALLMYR-XII**. École Normale Supérieure (Ulm).

Data set

- **ESLO-FFL** : the Linguistic Corpus of Orléans as a teaching-learning resource for French as a Foreign Language
 - Corpus : <https://hdl.handle.net/11403/eslo-fleu>