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I'm a student at Boston University (BU) in the Graduate School of Arts and Science pursuing a doctorate (PhD) in Linguistics. My academic interests include sociolinguistics, phonetics, phonology, migration studies, and understudied languages and language varieties.

EDUCATION

PhD from Boston University, Linguistics September 2019-Present

MA from New York University, Comparative Politics May 2019
Thesis: "Dialectal Priming Effects in Political Call Surveys:
The Case of Dexter, Maine."
Advisor: Dr. Gregory Guy

BA, from New York University, Linguistics & German May 2018
Minor in Middle Eastern Studies
Minor in Politics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Boston University Prosody Lab 2020
Research Assistant
Advisor: Dr. Jon Barnes

- Linguistic reconstruction of Khoe roots
- Historical phonology, syntax, and corpus work

New York University Sociolinguistics Lab 2018
Research Assistant
Advisor: Dr. Gregory Guy

- Transcription utilizing Praat and ELAN of Brazilian Portuguese
- Identification of complex stress and phonological processes

New York University Sociolinguistics Lab 2018-2019
Research Assistant
Advisor: Dr. Danial Duncan

- Transcription of sociolinguistic interviews on the St. Louis dialect
- Further development of skills in ELAN and related transcription software

PRESENTATIONS

Gregory Guy & Andre Schwab. “The Politics of Dialect Profiling.” (2021).
12th Meeting of the International Society of Applied Linguistics. Porto, Portugal.

Andre Schwab. “Inalienable kinship relations in colloquial isiXhosa: towards a syntactic analysis.” (2021) 51st-52nd Annual Conference on African Linguistics. Miami, USA.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Boston University Conference on Language Development 2020 **Organizing Committee & Hospitality Chair**

- Engaged in moving the conference to a virtual platform
- Ensured various accommodations such as for nursing mothers, disability, and translation services
- Event planning, session organization

Boston University Conference on Language Development 2019 **Organizing Committee & Hospitality Chair**

- Oversaw catering, event planning, poster session organization
- Ensured accommodations for nursing mothers, disabilities, and ASL interpreters

New York University Bobst Library 2018 **Librarian Assistant**

- Organizational database management, administrative responsibilities
- Customer service, cataloguing, inter-departmental communications
- Formal training in archival research materials, such as microfilm

LANGUAGES

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| French | (native) |
| English | (native) |
| German | (fluent) |
| Arabic | (intermediate) |
| isiXhosa | (intermediate) |
| Spanish | (intermediate) |
| Latin | (advanced) |
| SeTswana | (fieldwork) |
| Cuenco Arpitan | (fieldwork) |
| Jakarta Indonesian | (fieldwork) |
| Damara Khoekhoe | (fieldwork) |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Boston University

September 2020 to May 2020

Teaching Fellow, Department of Linguistics

- Taught discussion sections of Introduction to Linguistics, covering phonetics, phonology, syntax, semantics, and sociolinguistics
- Developed quizzes, exams, and homework
- Coordinated grading and labs with a team of two other teaching assistants and Dr. Kate Lindsey

Boston University

Fall 2020

Guest Lecturer, Department of Linguistics

- Lectured in the Introduction to Phonetics & Phonology, taught by Dr. Kate Lindsey
- Click phonetics, typology, and phonology.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Database Management, Optical Character Recognition, SPSS, R, ArcGIS, Praat, ELAN, Transcription following Leipzig Conventions, MS Office, Translation

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Tarjimly

Translator, 2020

Online service connecting volunteer translators to refugees in immediate need of legal documents, testimonials, and day-to-day activities; primarily translating between English and French.

New York University Linguistics Club

President 2017-2018

Organized a series of conference talks on various topics of interest, including professional development, graduate applications, and faculty research.

Kav La Oved - Tel Aviv

Development Intern, 2016

Grant proposal-writing, data management, reporting, interviews. Highly independent and self-motivated in a collaborative environment requiring extensive communication and planning face-to-face meetings to find pertinent information for projects at hand, such as grant applications, updates, annual report, publication, press releases, and testimonials. Familiarization with politics, law code, and demographic relations, as well as political and social relations on the technical level such as in labor, immigration, and health legislation.

Fur Community Center - Tel Aviv

Tutor 2016

Tutored English and Math to a classroom of students whose primary language was either Hebrew or Fur; helped with TOEFL testing and university entrance exams in both

subjects successfully.

African Refugee Center - Tel Aviv, Israel

Tutor 2016

Tutored English and Math in a highly independent setting; worked in organized and efficient sessions around a curriculum succeeding in achieving specific goals, such as passing TOEFL tests and preparing for university coursework. Additional office work in data cataloguing, communication with tutors and students, office coordination, and scheduling.