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EDUCATION

Yale University , BA in Linguistics, New Haven, CT	Expected December, 2027
<i>Coursework including:</i> The Syntax-Morphology Interface, Subregular Linguistics, Mathematics of Language, Phylogenetic Biology, Data Structures, Bird Behavior, Primates, Evolutionary Biology, Cognitive Science, Culture & Human Evolution , Syntax II, Historical Ling. II	
John Cabot University , Intermediate Italian, Rome, Italy	August 2024
The Institute on Collaborative Language Research (CoLang) , Tempe, AZ	June 2024
<i>Coursework including:</i> NLP and Speech Recognition for Indigenous Languages, FLEX, SQL, Storybook Creation, Eliciting complex semantic and pragmatic distinctions, Transcribing conversation	
Choate Rosemary Hall , Wallingford, CT	June 2023
<i>Awards:</i> John Dos Passos Award for Excellence in Creative Writing, Jos Hoppenbrouwers Language Prize, Choate Rosemary Hall Award for Excellence in the Study of Arabic, Member of the Cum Laude Society	

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- Garsten, David.** Under review. *TSL case supports delayed gratification in Arabic small clauses.* Society for Computation in Linguistics.
- Garsten, David.** Under review. *Appl's got gravity: head movement, have-raising, and the evolution of (have) got.* Chicago Linguistics Society.
- Garsten, David.** 2025. *It's Giving Nonfactive Small Clause Selection.* Yale Working Papers in Grammatical Diversity 7 (3), 1-25.
- Hampe, Anton* and **David Garsten***. 2025. Revisiting the subregular complexity of Bengalese finch songs. SYNC 2025. *Equal contribution

ACADEMIC & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The Yale Grammatical Diversity Project: writes working papers and webpages targeted at non-linguists	January 2024 - Present
The Summer Linguistic Institute for Youth Scholars (SLIYS): gained experience with linguistic fieldwork	June 2022
Directed Study in Linguistics: surveyed 100+ students and wrote a paper on discontinuous phrasal verbs	November 2022 - April 2023
Published Creative Writing: self-published a novella, printed a poetry compilation, published short stories	November 2019 - Present
Backyard Biolinguistics: maintains a blog and youtube channel on linguistics and animal communication	August 2025 - Present
Musical Composition: composed music for three video games, two short films, one comic	December 2024 - Present
Interactive Coding: coded an interactive musical composition from DNA, multiple small video games, a phylogenetic analysis of the relationships between extant Pokémon species, an interactive html poem, a personal website, and more	August 2024 - Present

LEADERSHIP & WORK EXPERIENCE

Yale Center for Collaborative Arts and Media (CCAM) , Temporary Expert + Digital Content Manager	August 2024 - Present
• Co-writes a weekly newsletter, helps oversee website development, works in event production and gallery management	
The Cortex Collective , Editor-in-Chief	May 2024 - Present
• Curates and edits a cohesive body of collaborative multimedia sci-fi creative work each semester, interviews and recruits new members, oversees lead genre editors, upkeeps website, plans installations and speaker events	
LingLeague , Co-founder	February 2021 - February 2023
• Spoke at a NSF conference in June 2022, hosted summer tournaments for high schoolers with guest speakers such as David J. Peterson and Gretchen McCulloch, hosted events at annual LSA meetings, conferences with professors from dozens of countries, and College & Opportunities Fairs with representatives from Yale, NYU, UCLA, Brown, NSLI-Y, NACLO, and more.	
Simulanger , Conlanger and YouTuber	June 2023 - Present
Inkberry , Store Manager	May 2025 - Present
Yale NACLO , Chair	October 2024 - January 2025
Amoriem Labs , Story Lead in Game Development	September 2024 - May 2025
Pok-o-MacCready , Summer Camp Counselor	June 2023 - August 2023
Choate Ultimate Frisbee , Co-Captain	September 2022 - May 2023
The Choate Literary Magazine , Editor-in-Chief	April 2022 - May 2023

SKILLS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- *Computer Skills:* Python, C, C++, HTML, JS, CSS, R, LaTeX, PyTorch, NLTK, ggplot, iqtree, FLEX, MuseScore, Ableton, DaVinci
- *Language Skills:* Italian, Hebrew (conversational); Arabic, Akkadian (intermediate); Spanish, Georgian (basic)
- *Fellowships:* [Turing Fellow](#) (2023-2024), [Atlas Finalist](#) (2023), [Bronfman Fellow](#) (2022)