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Education

Doctoral Degree 2021-2025

Florida State University
ABD as of 2024
PhD in Linguistics

Master's Degree 2019-2021

University of Georgia at Athens
Masters in Linguistics

Bachelor's Degree 2014-2018

Florida State University
Bachelors of Arts in Spanish
Certified Spanish-English
Interpreter
Certified ESOL Instructor

Technical Experience

- Experienced in programs as diverse as Python, R, SPSS, Praat, Jupyter, SQL, and more
- Completed several research projects using linguistic corpora, AI, and large language models
- Experienced in sophisticated data analysis for research purposes

Languages

- Extensive work in Spanish, English, Quechua
- Completed projects involving Portuguese, Arabic, Quichua, Mandarin, and more

Teaching and Curriculum Design

How to Learn a Language: The Science of SLA, FSU 2024

- Designed an original curriculum tailored to student interests and abilities
- Will teach students about the neurolinguistic processes behind acquiring new languages

Language, Power, and Society, FSU 2023

- Designed an original curriculum tailored to student interests and abilities
- Introduced students to linguistic evolution and sociolinguistics through the lens of sociopolitical movements

Native American Languages and Cultures, FSU 2023

- Designed an original curriculum tailored to student interests and abilities
- Showcases the incredible linguistic and cultural diversity of the American First Peoples
- Leads students in informed cultural discussions and introduced several languages

University Spanish (Elementary and Intermediate levels) FSU and UGA 2019-2024

- Developed lesson plans, graded and held office hours
- Led class independently and met department objectives
- Nominated for several teaching awards and received glowing reviews from students and department representatives

English as a Second Language, Tallahassee Community College 2017

- Developed and executed lesson plans for a multi-level class of adult students from varied cultural, linguistic, and educational backgrounds

Experience in Computational Linguistics and Language Data

Principal Research Investigator, FSU 2021-2024

- Designed and executed three formal research projects, each in varying stages of publication
- Leads two international research teams, one based in Alicante, Spain, and the other in Cuzco, Peru
- Assessed AI programs and LLMs as potential tools for efficient corpus analysis

- Created and optimized python programs to interface with large language models

Primary Data Analyst/ Data Scientist, FSU 2022-2024

- Completed data annotation and data analysis for several international research teams
- Developed and executed plans for detailed data analysis using R and Rbrul
- Led and facilitated data annotation through Praat as a team

Data Analyst, Research Assistant, FSU 2023

- Analyzed linguistic data in Praat
- Gained experience in detailed data analysis and data annotation

Remote Linguistic Researcher UGA, 2019-2021

- Received two FLAS fellowships and a Tinker Grant in association with UGA for original research

Publications

Stafstrom, E. (2024) Dizque: Andean Evidentials in Contact. *The Coastal Review: An Online Peer-reviewed Journal*

A corpus-based study comparing the pragmatic usage of *dizque* in the Andes and Central America.

Publication pending after revisions

Stafstrom, E., Muntendam, A. (2024) *Plural Markings in Cuzco Quechua: Effects of Bilingualism on Matter and Pattern. Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism.*

Under consideration for publication

Stafstrom, E., Salazar Rodó, S., Alrahil, M., Cambridge, J., (2024) *Spanish and Arabic in Contact: Glottal Stop Epenthesis in Moroccan Immigrant Speech in Alicante, Spain. Isogloss.*

Under consideration for publication

El Rio Website

Built a website for the El Rio film produced by Dr. Juan Carlos Galeano

Offered tech support and IT advising in the marketing and digital presence of the film

<https://www.elriofilm.com/>

Grants, Awards and Fellowships

Osher Institute for Lifelong Learning Teaching Award 2024

- Awarded \$2,000 for excellence in original curriculum design and excellence in instruction

FLAS 2020-2021 Academic Year Fellowship for Remote Research

- Awarded \$18,000 for remote research development
- Continued Quechua education and development of novel research in Andean sociolinguistics.

Foreign Language 2020 Summer Fellowship

- Awarded \$5,000 for research in Quechua
- Underwent rigorous immersive training in Incan language and culture

Tinker Grant Recipient Summer 2020

- Awarded \$2,000 for groundbreaking research in Andean sociolinguistics.
- Used in a remote study on the effect of Spanish on Quechua plurals.

Winthrop King Award Recipient 2021-2024

- Awarded a total of \$6,000 for excellence in modern language studies at Florida State University