**Possible topics for research**

1. Analysis of two or more near-synonymous constructions or words. Examples: Double-Object dative vs. prepositional dative, Saxon vs. Norman genitive, *help* + bare infinitive vs. *to*-infinitive.

2. Frequency, surprisal and entropy, and their correlations with length or other parameters (e.g. Zipf’s law of abbreviation). Comparison of different languages or language variety.

3. Investigation of correlations between word order patterns in different languages. E.g. Prepositions/Postpositions vs. VO/OV.

4. Contrasting functionally similar constructions in different languages (e.g. English and German) based on a parallel corpus. Examples: English *let* and German *lassen*, English *make* and French *faire*.

5. Analysis of (dis)fluency markers in spontaneous dialogues.