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## EDUCATION

### THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

PHD IN SLAVIC LINGUISTICS  
IN PROGRESS · LAWRENCE, KANSAS

### THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

MA IN SLAVIC LANGUAGES &  
LITERATURES  
MAY 2015 · LAWRENCE, KANSAS  
3.94 GPA

### THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

BA IN LINGUISTICS, RUSSIAN  
MAY 2013 · ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE · 4.28 GPA

### TOMPKINS-CORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

AS IN LIBERAL ARTS & SCIENCES —  
SOCIAL SCIENCE  
MAY 2007 · DRYDEN, NEW YORK  
WITH HIGH HONOR · 3.64 GPA

## LANGUAGES

### PROGRAMMING

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X (over 5000 lines) · Python, XML  
(over 1000 lines) · XSLT, R, HTML/CSS  
(over 500 lines) · Java, Swift, Ruby (fa-  
miliar)

### NATURAL

English (native) · Russian (professional  
proficiency) · Polish (intermediate) ·  
Uyghur, Slovene, Old Church Slavic,  
French, German, Tohono O'odham, Latin,  
Old English (reading knowledge) · Czech,  
Croatian, Lithuanian, Arabic, K'iche',  
Cayuga, Cherokee (structural knowl-  
edge)

## SERVICE

### LANGUAGE & LINGUISTICS EDITOR

FOR RESEARCH IDEAS & OUTCOMES

**REVIEWER** FOR DIGITAL HUMANITIES  
QUARTERLY AND JOURNAL OF OPEN HU-  
MANITIES DATA

**ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER** FOR KU  
OPEN ACCESS AND THE KU INSTITUTE  
FOR DIGITAL RESEARCH IN THE HUMAN-  
ITIES

**ADVISOR** FOR [OVERLEAF](#) (FORMERLY  
WRITELATEX)

## SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### SLAVIA CENTRALIS JOURNAL · EDITORIAL ASSISTANT (LINGUISTICS)

AUGUST 2015–PRESENT · LAWRENCE, KANSAS

- Edited English-language linguistics content
- Archived past journal issues in the KUScholarWorks repository
- Represented *Slavia Centralis* at international conferences

### INTERACTIVE INNER ASIA · GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

AUGUST 2015–PRESENT · LAWRENCE, KANSAS

- Provided technical support for the *Interactive Inner Asia* project (sponsored by the National Science Foundation, [BCS-1065524](#); PI: Arienne M. Dwyer)
- Wrote XSL stylesheets to add annotation layers to XML Uyghur texts
- Developed orthography and phonetic transcription schema for the Wutun language

### ENDANGERED LANGUAGE FUND · COMPUTATIONAL LINGUIST

MAY 2015–PRESENT · LAWRENCE, KANSAS

- Provided technical consulting for the *Automatic Speech Recognition for Uyghur* project (sponsored by the National Science Foundation, [IIS-1519164](#); PI: Arienne M. Dwyer; Co-PI: Tanja Schultz)
- Improved usability and accuracy of the project's Uyghur-Mandarin-English lexicon by writing a [Python script](#) which scraped English translations of Mandarin glosses for 10,113 Uyghur entries from [Wiktionary](#)
- Wrote a [Python script](#) to produce phonetic transcription for Uyghur head-words in Latin orthography
- Trained a Uyghur part-of-speech tagger (using the [Stanford log-linear part-of-speech tagger](#)) which consistently performs at better than 90% accuracy
- Marked up 75 Uyghur texts into well-formed XML with full metadata, orthographic transcription, and Russian/English translation

### UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS · GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

NOVEMBER 2014–PRESENT · LAWRENCE, KANSAS

- Assisted Professor Stephen M. Dickey with data collection and visualization
- Designed and created 11 network diagrams in [L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X/TikZ](#) to illustrate semantic relationships among Slavic verbal prefixes (6037 lines of code)
- Wrote Python scripts to automate collection of data on verb usage from three online historical Russian corpora
- Developed and implemented (in R) a new method for visualizing the grammaticalization of the perfective/imperfective distinction in Russian verbs

## RESEARCH & PERSONAL PROJECTS

### THRUNC · A TOOL FOR THE HISTORICAL RUSSIAN NATIONAL CORPUS

- [Python utility](#) (in ~1200 lines) for automating large-scale searches of the Russian National Corpus and outputting/analyzing the results

## SELECTED HONORS & AWARDS

Slavic Linguistics Society Graduate Student Abstract Travel Award (\$500) · Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowship for Russian (tuition + \$7,500 stipend) and for Polish (tuition + \$15,000 stipend)