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Education

The University of Kansas — LAWRENCE, KANSAS

PhD, Slavic Linguistics (expected May 2019) — *May 2015–present*
Advisor: Stephen M. Dickey

MA, Slavic Languages & Literatures — *August 2013–May 2015*
3.94 GPA • Advisor: Stephen M. Dickey

Saint Petersburg State University — SAINT PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

Study abroad at the Institute for Russian as a Foreign Language (Department of Philology) through the Advanced Critical Language Institute at **State University of New York at Stony Brook** — *July–August 2014*

The University of New Mexico — ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

BA, Linguistics & Russian — *January 2011–May 2013*
4.28 GPA (*Summa cum laude*) • Advisors: Tania Ivanova-Sullivan & Natasha Kolchevska • Honors Thesis: *For an Hour or So: A Corpus Analysis of Diminutive Temporal Adverbials with Delimitative Verbs in Russian* (available at http://dx.doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.1332448)

Tompkins-Cortland Community College — DRYDEN, NEW YORK

AS, Liberal Arts and Sciences – **Social Science** — *August 2005–May 2007*
3.64 GPA (*With high honor*)

Professional Experience

The Endangered Language Fund — LAWRENCE, KANSAS

Computational Linguistics Consultant — *May 2015–present*
Responsibilities include:

- Producing materials for a pilot project in automated speech recognition for the Uyghur language
- Creating human-readable and machine-readable descriptions of Uyghur phonological processes
- Regularizing and converting data for automated processing (with respect to translation, pronunciation, orthographic conventions, morphology, etc.)

The University of Kansas • Department of Slavic Languages & Literatures — LAWRENCE, KANSAS

Graduate Research Assistant — *November 2014–present*
Responsibilities include:

- Writing Python scripts to automate the collection of Russian language data from internet corpora
- Conducting statistical analyses and data visualization in R
- Creating scientific illustrations in LaTeX/TiKZ

Graduate Teaching Assistant — *August 2013–May 2014*
Courses taught:

- RUSS 104 "Elementary Russian I" • *Fall 2013*
- RUSS 108 "Elementary Russian II" • *Spring 2014*

Invited Talks & Workshops

5. "Inheritance or Innovation? Ablaut and Aspect in the Balto-Slavic Verb" Lawrence, Kansas

   Faculty and Graduate Student Colloquium, Department of Slavic Languages & Literatures, University of Kansas *April 23, 2015*
   Handout: https://www.academia.edu/12091618

4. "An Introduction to Text Analysis with Python and the Natural Language Toolkit" Lawrence, Kansas

   Digital Jumpstart Workshop, Institute for Digital Research in the Humanities, University of Kansas *March 6, 2015*
   Slides: http://dx.doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.1327679
   (1553 views, 11 shares, 122 downloads as of May 23, 2015)

3. "Truncation or Suffixation? Markedness Relations and Classifying Functions in Tohono O'odham Verbal Aspect" Lawrence, Kansas

   Colloquy, Department of Linguistics, University of Kansas *December 11, 2014*
   Slides: https://www.academia.edu/9743553

2. "The First Part of 'Text Analysis' is 'Text': Applying Digital Methods to an Under-Documented Language" Lawrence, Kansas

   Hall Center Digital Humanities Seminar Series, University of Kansas *September 29, 2014*
   Video: http://youtu.be/aWSO-YWFycs
   Slides: https://www.academia.edu/8552342

1. "An Introduction to Text Analysis with the Natural Language Toolkit" Lawrence, Kansas

   Digital Jumpstart Workshop, Institute for Digital Research in the Humanities, University of Kansas *March 7, 2014*
   Slides: https://www.academia.edu/8522931

Conference Presentations

1. "Aspectual Morphemes as Verbal Classifiers in Slavic and Non-Slavic Languages" Seattle, Washington
   Slavic Linguistics Society Annual Meeting *September 19, 2014*
   Slides: https://www.academia.edu/8420181

Grants, Honors, and Awards

The University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Department of Slavic Languages & Literatures • **Award for Outstanding Service to the Department by a Graduate Student** *2014–2015*

Department of Slavic Languages & Literatures • **Award for Excellence in Intermediate Polish** *2014–2015*

Center for Russian, East European & Eurasian Studies • **Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship** • Polish • $15,000 fellowship *2014–2015*

Center for Russian, East European & Eurasian Studies • **Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship** • Russian • $2,500 fellowship *Summer 2014*

Indiana University Bloomington, Indiana
College Graduate Fellowship • $18,000 fellowship *(declined)* *2013–2014*

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship • Polish • $15,000 fellowship *(declined)* *2013–2014*

American Council of Teachers of Russian
Post-Secondary Russian Scholar Laureate Award *May 2013*

The University of New Mexico   Albuquerque, New Mexico
   Dept. of Foreign Languages & Literatures • Collete Wallace Undergraduate Book Award   *May 2013*

   Dept. of Foreign Languages & Literatures • Invited Undergraduate Commencement Speaker   *May 2013*

   Amigo Scholarship   *Spring 2011–Spring 2013*

   Dean's List   *Spring 2011–Spring 2013*

Tompkins-Cortland Community College   Dryden, New York
   Dean's List   *Fall 2005–Spring 2007*

   President's Citation   *Spring 2006*

CFCU Community Credit Union   Ithaca, New York
   Richard V. V. Stringham Scholarship • $1,000 scholarship   *2005–2006*

Service

Departmental Service
   Department of Slavic Languages & Literatures • MA Student Representative   *2013–2014, 2014–2015*

University Service
   Open Access Advisory Board • Graduate Student Member   *January 2014–present*

   Institute for Digital Research in the Humanities Advisory Board • Graduate Student Member   *2014–2017*

Field & National Service
   Stabilizing Indigenous Languages Symposium • Abstract Referee   *Spring 2011*

Journal Refereeing
   Journal of Open Humanities Data   *March 2015–present*
   Digital Humanities Quarterly   *December 2013–present*

Languages, Skills, and Affiliations

Languages

> English *(native)*; Russian *(advanced)*; Polish *(intermediate)*; Tohono O'odham *(beginner)*; Old Church Slavic, Latin, Old English, French, German *(reading knowledge)*; Czech, Croatian, Lithuanian, Arabic, K'iche' Maya, Cayuga, Cherokee *(structural knowledge)*.

Skills

> LaTeX, TiKZ, BibTeX, Python, R, XML, Mac OS X *(proficient)*; Ruby, SPSS, SplitsTree, HTML/CSS/SASS, Emacs Lisp, ELAN, Praat, Linux, Windows *(intermediate)*; Javascript, PHP *(beginner)*.

Professional Memberships and Affiliations
   Modern Language Association   *March 2015–present*
   Slavic Linguistics Society   *November 2013–present*
   Slavic Cognitive Linguistics Association   *August 2013–present*