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Curriculum vitae, updated Fall 2025

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EDUCATION

- 2024- **PhD in Linguistics**, University of Pennsylvania
 Advisors: Marlyse Baptista and David Embick
- 2020-2024 **BA in Linguistics & Asian Studies**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
 Linguistics Thesis: William Baxter, Acrisio Pires
 Angell Scholar, Branstrom Scholar, Carolyn Ross Manchester Scholar, Otto Graf Scholar

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Bi- and multilingualism, code-switching, experimental linguistics, language contact, mental lexicon, morphology, morphological processing, morphosyntax

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 Pristina Koon. *Variation and Contact-Induced Change in Manado Possessives*. Poster presented at NWAV 53, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, United States.
- 2025 Pristina Koon. *Expansion of Betawi ber-nya Nominalization Under Prolonged Contact With Indonesian*. Talk presented at SLE 58 (WS13: Morphological Boundaries in Creole Languages), Université Bordeaux Montaigne, Bordeaux, France, 26-29 August.
- 2025 Pristina Koon. *Comparing the pronominal paradigms of two Malayophone Creoles – Manado Malay and Betawi*. Talk presented at SEALS 34, Bali, Indonesia, 10-13 June. (Virtual)
- 2025 Pristina Koon. *Contact-Induced Change in Betawi Free and Enclitic Pronouns*. Poster presented at LSA 2025, Philadelphia, United States, 11 January.
- 2025 Pristina Koon. *Examining Language Attitudes and Ideologies in Naming Practices: The Case of Betawi*. Talk presented at SPCL 2025, Philadelphia, United States, 11 January.
- 2024 Pristina Koon. *Betawi -nya*. Integrated Language Sciences and Technology First-Year Students Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, United States, 6 December.

TEACHING

As Teaching Assistant

University of Pennsylvania
Spring 2026 LING 0600: Introduction to Sociolinguistics

As Primary Instructor

University of Michigan

Fall 2023	HONORS 135: Ideas in Honors (“Language: Our greatest tool or deadliest obsession?”)
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RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

2020-2021	Virulent Hate Project (PI: Melissa Borja, University of Michigan Department of American Studies)
2021	Jejueo Talking Dictionary (PI: Moira Saltzman, University of Michigan Department of Linguistics)

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

2024-2029	Benjamin Franklin Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania
2025	SAS Dean’s Travel Subvention
2025	Departmental Travel Grant
2024	Departmental Travel Grant
2023	Honorable Mention Nancy “Penny” Schwartz Undergraduate Essay Award, American Anthropological Association
2023	Finalist, Rhodes Scholarship
2023	Pioneer Award, Phi Kappa Phi
2022	Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Intermediate Korean), University of Michigan Nam Center for Korean Studies

SERVICE

Reviewing

2025-2026	PLC50
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To the University of Pennsylvania Department of Linguistics

2025-2026	Organizing Co-Chair, Penn Linguistics Conference 50
2025-2026	Hospitality Committee Chair, Penn Linguistics Conference 50
2025	Lab Assistant, Penn Language Contact and Cognition Lab
2025-	Department Librarian, Penn Graduate Linguistics Society
2025-	Secretary, Penn Graduate Linguistics Society
2025-	Social Chair, Penn Graduate Linguistics Society
2024-2025	Speaker Series Coordinator, Penn Graduate Linguistics Society
2024-2025	Hospitality Committee Member, Penn Linguistics Conference 49
2024-	Copy Editor, Penn Working Papers in Linguistics
2024-	Recruitment Liaison, Penn Graduate Linguistics Society

To the University of Michigan

2025-	Alumni Association Volunteer (Philadelphia Area-A/AAPI Liason; Young Alumni & Recent Graduates Committee)
2023-2024	Undergraduate Representative, University of Michigan College of Literature Science and the Arts Dean Search Advisory Committee
2023-2024	Undergraduate Representative, University of Michigan Academic Judicial Committee
2023	Undergraduate Representative, University of Michigan Academic Policy Coordinator Hiring Advisory Committee
2023	Undergraduate Representative, University of Michigan Judicial Coordinator Hiring Advisory Committee
2022	Undergraduate Representative, University of Michigan College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Grade Grievance Committee

Linguistics & Community Outreach

2025-	Community Volunteer/Translator, Gapura Philadelphia (<i>Gapura Komunitas Indonesia</i>)
2021-2024	Less Commonly Taught Languages (LCTL) Enrollment Intern, University of Michigan Language Resource Center
2021-2024	Conversational Circle Facilitator, University of Michigan English Language Institute
2022	Student Representative, Linguistics Society of America Linguistics in the School Curriculum Committee

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

2025-	Association for Asian American Studies
2025-	Association for Asian Studies
2025-	North American Research Network in Historical Sociolinguistics
2025-	Societas Linguistica Europaea
2024-	Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics
2024-	Graduate Education and Training in Southeast Asian Studies
2021-	Linguistics Society of America
	East Asian Historical Linguistics Special Interest Group
	Committee on Endangered Languages and Their Preservation
	Committee on Student Issues and Concerns

Inducted

2024	Phi Beta Kappa
2023	Phi Kappa Phi

LANGUAGES AND SOFTWARE

Languages

Primary	English
Advanced	French, Indonesian
Elementary	Korean
Research	Betawi

Software and Technical Skills: L^AT_EX, PCIBex, R