Romeo De Timmerman

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Experience

Doctoral Researcher   **Ghent University**   **2022 - 2026**
- Department of Linguistics, English Section

Language Instructor   **Ghent University**   **2021 - 2022**
- Department of Linguistics, Language and Communication Section

Research Assistant   **Ghent University**   **2020 - 2022**
- Department of Linguistics, English Section

Academic Writing Tutor   **Ghent University**   **2019 - 2020**
- (c)ENTER - Academic writing center

International mobility

- **Visting scholar at City University of New York, Graduate Center**
  2024 - Hosted by Prof. Dr. Cecelia Cutler (Executive Officer of Linguistics Department)

Education

Doctor of Linguistics		**2022 - 2026**
Ghent University		Ghent, Belgium
MSc in Statistical Data Analysis		**2024 - 2026**
Ghent University		Ghent, Belgium
MA in Linguistics and Literature		**2019 - 2020**
Ghent University		Ghent, Belgium
BA in Linguistics and Literature		**2015 - 2019**
Ghent University		Ghent, Belgium

Publications

Journal articles

- **Covering blue voices: African American English and authenticity in blues covers**
  Romeo De Timmerman & Stef Slembrouck
  2024 - Languages

- **Participant role shifting in minority language institutional interactions: COVID-19 contact tracing telephone calls as complex spaces of linguistic non-understanding**
  Romeo De Timmerman, Anne-Sophie Bafort, Mieke Vandenbroucke & Stef Slembrouck
  2024 - Multilingua

- **Question/answer-sequences in contact tracing telephone calls in Flanders during the Covid-19 pandemic**
  Stef Slembrouck, Romeo De Timmerman, Mieke Vandenbroucke, Anne-Sophie Bafort & Sofie Van de Geuchte
  2024 - Medical Research Archives

- **The globalization of local indexicalities through music: African-American English and the blues**
  Romeo De Timmerman, Ludovic De Cuypere & Stef Slembrouck
  2023 - Journal of Sociolinguistics

- **Transformative practice and its interactional challenges in Covid-19 telephone contact tracing in Flanders**
  Stef Slembrouck, Mieke Vandenbroucke, Romeo De Timmerman, Anne-Sophie Bafort & Sofie Van de Geuchte
  2023 - Frontiers in Psychology

- **COVID-19 telephone contact tracing in Flanders as a 'contested' new genre of conversation : discrepancies between interactional practice and media image**
  Anne-Sophie Bafort, Romeo De Timmerman, Sofie Van De Geuchte, Mieke Vandenbroucke & Stef Slembrouck
  2023 - Frontiers in Communication

Book chapters

- **Formulations of risk and responsibility in COVID-19 contact tracing telephone interactions in Flanders, Belgium**
Romeo De Timmerman, Anne-Sophie Bafort, Sofie Van De Geuchte, Mieke Vandenbroucke & Stef Slembrouck
2023 - Book chapter in Risk discourse and responsibility (Pragmatics & Beyond New Series)

Research Data
- **Data for "Covering Blue Voices: African American English and Authenticity in Blues Covers"**
Romeo De Timmerman
2024 - Open Science Framework

- **Replication Data for: The globalization of local indexicalities through music: African-American English and the blues**
Romeo De Timmerman
2023 - DataVerseNO, V2

Conference presentations

- **Iconicity and indexicality: the manifold social meanings of African American English in blues music**
Romeo De Timmerman & Stef Slembrouck
2024 - 52nd News Ways of Analyzing Variation, Florida International University & University of Miami

- **Covering blue voices: African American English and authenticity in blues covers**
Romeo De Timmerman
2024 - 25th Sociolinguistics Symposium, Curtin University

- **When ordinary conduct is not straightforwardly suitable: question/answer-sequences in contact tracing telephone calls in Flanders during the COVID-19 pandemic**
Stef Slembrouck, Mieke Vandenbroucke, Anne-Sophie Bafort & Romeo De Timmerman
2024 - 25th Sociolinguistics Symposium, Curtin University

- **Managing Fact and Uncertainty: Science Mediation during Telephone Contact Tracing in Flanders**
Sofie Van de Geuchte, Romeo De Timmerman, Anne-Sophie Bafort, Mieke Vandenbroucke & Stef Slembrouck
2023 - 18th International Pragmatics Conference, International Pragmatics Association

- **Challenges and Opportunities of Linguistically Diverse Data: Government-mandated Contact Tracing as a Multilingual Tool to Reach Linguistic Minorities**
Romeo De Timmerman, Anne-Sophie Bafort, Mieke Vandenbroucke & Stef Slembrouck
2023 - 18th International Pragmatics Conference, International Pragmatics Association

- **Stylistic Matrices of Language Use in Music: African American English and The Blues**
Romeo De Timmerman & Stef Slembrouck
2022 - 24th Sociolinguistics Symposium, Ghent University

- **Support and surveillance during contact tracing phone calls in the covid-19 pandemic: a new genre characterized by multiple pressures**
Romeo De Timmerman, Anne-Sophie Bafort, Mieke Vandenbroucke & Stef Slembrouck
2022 - 24th Sociolinguistics Symposium, Ghent University

- **Support and surveillance during contact tracing phone calls in the covid-19 pandemic: a new genre characterized by multiple pressures**
Stef Slembrouck, Mieke Vandenbroucke, Anne-Sophie Bafort, Sofie Van de Geuchte & Romeo De Timmerman
2021 - Language of Covid19 Conference, University of Sussex

- **Support and surveillance during contact tracing phone calls in the covid-19 pandemic: a new genre characterized by multiple pressures**
Stef Slembrouck, Mieke Vandenbroucke, Anne-Sophie Bafort, Sofie Van de Geuchte & Romeo De Timmerman
2021 - 17th Annual DANASWAC, Tampere University

- **Optimising Covid-19 contact tracing in Belgium: an applied conversation analytic study**
Anne-Sophie Bafort, Romeo De Timmerman, Sofie Van de Geuchte, Mieke Vandenbroucke & Stef Slembrouck
2021 - 17th International Pragmatics Conference, International Pragmatics Association

- **The Stylistic Use of African American English in Live Performed Blues Music**
Romeo De Timmerman
2021 - 6th Annual IASPM Student Conference, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

Invited talks, workshops and meetings

- **Covering blue voices: African American English and authenticity in blues covers**
  Romeo De Timmerman
  2024 - City University of New York, Graduate Center

- **Sociolinguistic approaches to the study of popular culture**
  Matthew Garley & Romeo De Timmerman
  2024 - City University of New York, Graduate Center

- **Inference versus prediction: interpreting machine learning results in (computational) sociolinguistics**
  Romeo De Timmerman, Stef Slembrouck & Matthias Heyman
  2024 - 4th LW Research Day, Ghent University

- **Processes of authentication in music: a MULTIPLEtalkS data session**
  Romeo De Timmerman
  2023 - Ghent University, MULTIPLES research group

- **Indexical expressions of authenticity: the stylistic use of African American English in live performed blues music**
  Romeo De Timmerman
  2022 - 6th LinGhentian Doctorials, Ghent University

- **The 'new' genre of telephone contact tracing: interactional and pragmatic analysis for optimizing professional practice**
  Stef Slembrouck, Mieke Vandenbroucke, Anne-Sophie Bafort, Sofie Van de Geuchte & Romeo De Timmerman
  2022 - 3rd LW Research Day, Ghent University

Science communication

- **"Everybody understands the blues!" But can they sing it?**
  Romeo De Timmerman
  2023 - IASPM Research Blog

Fellowships and grants

External funding
- **FWO travel grant for a long stay abroad**, Fonds voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek
  2024 - EUR 4.950,00 (V413124N)

Internal funding
- **CWO travel grant for a long stay abroad**, Commissie Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek
  2024 - EUR 6.950,00

- **CWO travel grant for an international conference**, Commissie Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek
  2024 - EUR 300,00

Institutional service

Peer review
- **Journal of Sociolinguistics**
  2024 - anonymous reviewer

- **BAAHE 2024 conference**
  2024 - scientific committee member

Department & research group
- **OAP representative in department council**
  2022 - present, representing early career researchers in the linguistics department council

- **Linguistics Reading Group**
  2022 - 2024, co-organizing a seminal article reading group

Thesis supervision

- **Kato Speybrouck** - Title TBD
  2025 - MA thesis

- **Leen Vandewiele** - Title TBD
  2025 - BA paper

- **Yelena Godaert** - Title TBD
  2025 - BA paper

- **Elise Van Overmeire** - Jolene Please Don't Sing About My Man A Diachronic Comparison of Love and Relationships in Female and Male Country Lyrics
  2024 - BA paper

- **Caroline Sens** - "I'm being misogynistic...I am not being sexist": A linguistic analysis of sexism through humor in The Office.
  2023 - MA thesis

- **Kato Speybrouck** - London calling! Accent as a way to claim authenticity in 1970s and contemporary punk-rock music
  2023 - BA paper

Teaching
- **English Linguistics: Sociolinguistics** - Ghent University
  2024 - guest lecture on dialectal and diatypic variation
  2023 - guest lecture on the sociolinguistics of globalization
  2022 - guest lecture on pidgins and creoles

- **English Linguistics: Text, genre & translation** - Ghent University
  2024 - guest lecture on the globalization of musical genres
  2023 - guest lecture on the globalization of musical genres
  2022 - guest lectures on the globalization of musical genres & institutional interaction
  2021 - guest lecture on institutional interaction

- **English Linguistics: Analysis of spoken interaction** - Ghent University
  2025 - coaching and grading students for their final projects
  2023 - coaching and grading students for their final projects

- **English Linguistics: Language and literature** - Ghent University
  2022 - guest lecture on narratives in institutional contexts

- **Qualitative research methods** - University of Antwerp
  2023 - guest lecture on interactional analysis
  2022 - guest lecture on interactional analysis

- **Academic English** - Ghent University
  2022 - lecturer
  2021 - lecturer

- **Advanced Academic English** - Ghent University
  2022 - lecturer
  2021 - lecturer

- **Economic English I & II** - Ghent University
  2022 - lecturer

- **Dutch as a Second Language I & II** - Ghent University
  2022 - lecturer

Professional development

- **Machine Learning (CSC 74020)** - Prof. Dr. Joseph Burdis
  2024 - City University of New York, Graduate Center

- **Explainability and interpretability in AI** - Dr. Isel Grau
  2024 - Flanders' training network for methodology and statistics

- **Handling Imbalanced Data** - Dr. Emmanuel Abatih
  2024 - Flanders' training network for methodology and statistics

- **Predictive Modeling using Logistic Regression** - Dr. Emmanuel Abatih
  2024 - Flanders' training network for methodology and statistics

- **Introduction to Machine Learning** - Dr. Bart Van Rompaye & Vincent Wauters
  2023 - Flanders' training network for methodology and statistics

- **Data Wrangling in Python** - Stijn Van Hoey & Joris Van den Bossche
  2023 - Flanders' training network for methodology and statistics

- **Advanced statistical methods with R** - Prof. Dr. Gert De Sutter
  2022 - Methods in language sciences

- **Introduction to statistics with R** - Prof. Dr. Ludovic De Cuypere
  2022 - Methods in language sciences

- **Perspectives on interaction in institutional settings** - Prof. Dr. Åsa Mäkitalo, Prof. Dr. Dorte Caswell & Prof. Dr. Stef Slembrouck
  2022 - Ghent University & Gothenburg University