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## Academic employment

- Sept. 2021 – Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany  
Department of English Language and Linguistics, Institute of English and American Studies, Faculty of Arts and Humanites  
University Professor in English Linguistics with specialisations in Phonetics/Phonology/Morphology (W2, Tenured)
- August 2021 – University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, USA  
Department of Linguistics  
Courtesy Assistant Professor in Computational Language Science
- 2019-2021 University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, USA  
Department of Linguistics  
Assistant Professor in Computational Language Science (Tenure-track)
- 2017-2019 Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China  
Department of Linguistics and Translation, School of International Studies  
Assistant Professor in Linguistics (Tenure-track)
- 2015-2017 Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, USA  
Postdoctoral Associate in Linguistics  
SUPERVISOR: Ryan Bennett

## Elected fellowship

- 2025–Present **Fellow of the Young Academy of Europe**  
Election criteria: obtained their doctorate less than 12 years ago, scientific excellence recognized by their peers, leadership abilities, scientific independence, and an interest in pan-European or international cooperation

## Previous professorship calls with a list place (‘Listenplatz’)

- 2023                      Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany  
Department of English, American and Romance Studies, Institute of English and American Studies  
Position: W3 (Tenured) University Professor in Digital Linguistics specializing in Big Data
- 2021                      Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany  
Department of English Language and Linguistics, Institute of English and American Studies  
Position: W2 (Tenured) University Professor in English Linguistics with specialisations in Phonetics/Phonology/Morphology

## Leadership position

- October 2024 –      Head of Study Programme (Studiengangsleitung), Bachelor of Arts English and American Studies, Institute of English and American Studies, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany (<https://www.anglistik.hhu.de/studium-bachelor-of-arts>)
- October 2022 –      Chair (Geschäftsführer) of Institute of English and American Studies, Heinrich-September 2024      Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany (<https://www.anglistik.hhu.de/>)
- October 2022 –      Central Point of Contact for Amazon Web Services ([aws](https://aws.amazon.com/training/awsacademy/)) academy at Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany (<https://aws.amazon.com/training/awsacademy/>)

## Education

- 2011–2015              University College London, London, United Kingdom  
Ph.D. in Linguistics, October 2015  
THESIS: *Naturalistic Speech Misperception*  
ADVISORS: Andrew Nevins (Primary) & Stuart Rosen (Secondary)  
VIVA COMMITTEE: John Harris (Internal) & Bert Vaux (External)
- 2010–2011              University College London, London, United Kingdom  
M.A. in Linguistics, November 2011  
DISSERTATION: *Phonetic trends in slips of the ear*  
CLASS: Distinction (Dissertation and all modules)
- 2009–2010              University of Cambridge (Churchill College), Cambridge, United Kingdom  
M.Eng. in Engineering, June 2010  
CLASS: Honours Pass (Dissertation: Merit; Modules: Honours Pass)
- 2006–2009              University of Cambridge (Churchill College), Cambridge, United Kingdom  
B.A. in Engineering, June 2010  
CLASS: 2.i.

## Professional training

- 2025 – Present     **The Extension Module of North Rhine-Westphalian (NRW) Certificate of Professional Competence for Academic Teaching**  
Status: In progress (24 out of 80 work units)  
Breakdown: Learning and Encouragement through Feedback – Tools and Practices for High-Quality Collaboration in Academia (8 units); Feedback geben und nehmen (16 units); Einführung Visualisierung (8 units)
- 2024     **The Basic Module of North Rhine-Westphalian (NRW) Certificate of Professional Competence for Academic Teaching**  
Status: Completed 80 out of 80 work units  
Breakdown: Design for How People Learn: Academic Teaching in Higher Education (50 units); “Intercultural Competence for University Lectures” (8 units); “Guiding Students and Efficiently Organising Office Hours” (8 units); “Legible handwriting for teaching” (2 units); “Beyond Mere Breakout Sessions: Ensuring Productive Cooperation in Online Learning” (6 units); “Portfolio: documentation and reflection of the learning process” (6 units)
- 2023     Workshop (2 hours): “Male Ally Training” with Dr. Bettina Palazzo, organised by Junior Scientist and International Researcher Center (HHU)
- 2013     Certified Member of Association for Learning Technology (CMALT)  
CMALT is a portfolio-based professional accreditation scheme developed by Association For Learning Technology to enable people whose work involves learning technology to have their professional experience and capabilities assessed by peers. <http://www.alt.ac.uk/cmalt/>.

## Publications/Products

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













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- 2017 Peter Howell, Kaho Yoshikawa, **Kevin Tang**, John Harris & Clarissa Sorger. 2017. Intervention for word-finding difficulty for children starting school who have diverse language backgrounds. In Robert Eklund & Ralph Rose (ed.), *Proceedings of Disfluencies in Spontaneous Speech, 8th workshop*, vol. 58, 33–36. Stockholm, Sweden: KTH Royal Institute of Technology, TMH-QPSR [ pdf |  bib |  materials]  
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- 2014 **Kevin Tang** & Andrew Nevins. 2014. Measuring segmental and lexical trends in a corpus of naturalistic speech. In Hsin-Lun Huang, Ethan Poole & Amanda Rysling (eds.), *Proceedings of the 43rd meeting of the North East Linguistic Society*, vol. 2, 153–166. GLSA (Graduate Linguistics Student Association) [ pdf |  bib |  materials]

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- 2024 Anh Kim Nguyen & **Kevin Tang**. 2024. The effect of word segmentation and phonological neighbours on spoken word recognition in Mandarin Chinese. In Taehong Cho, Ki-Jeong Lee, Sahyang Kim, Jeff Holliday & Sang-Im Lee-Kim (eds.), *Proceedings of the 19th conference on laboratory phonology* (Laboratory Phonology 19), 275–276. Seoul, South Korea: Hanyang Institute for Phonetics & Cognitive Sciences of Language (HIPCS)
- 2023 **Kevin Tang**, Ratree Wayland, Fenqi Wang, Sophia Vellozzi & Rahul Sengupta. 2023. Quantitative acoustic versus deep learning metrics of lenition. In T. Pistor, C. Steiner, F. Tomascheck & A. Leemann (eds.), *Book of Abstracts der 19. Tagung Phonetik und Phonologie im deutschsprachigen Raum, 06.-07.10.2023, Universität Bern*, 42–43. Bern: Bern Open Publishing. <http://dx.doi.org/10.48350/186731>
- 2022 Ratree Wayland, **Kevin Tang**, Fenqi Wang, Sophia Vellozzi, Rahul Sengupta & Lori Altman. 2022. Lenition measures: neural networks’ posterior probability versus acoustic cues. *The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America* 152(4). A59–A59. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1121/10.0015542>. <https://doi.org/10.1121/10.0015542>

#### WORKING PAPERS

- 2013 **Kevin Tang** & Andrew Nevins. 2013. Quantifying the diachronic productivity of irregular verbal patterns in Romance. *UCL Working Papers in Linguistics* 25. 289–308 [ pdf |  bib]

- 2012                      **Kevin Tang**. 2012. A 61 million word corpus of Brazilian Portuguese film subtitles as a resource for linguistic research. *UCL Working Papers in Linguistics* 24. 208–214. <http://dx.doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/VB5YP> [ pdf |  bib]

#### ARTICLES (SUBMITTED, IN REVISION, REVISED & RESUBMITTED)



- Under review        Ryan Bennett, **Kevin Tang** & Fenqi Wang. Under review. Glottalized stops and affricates in Eastern Mayan languages. In Bonny Sands, Didier Demolin, Maida Percival & Anne-Maria Fehn (eds.), *Non-pulmonic consonants*. Preprint. Sheffield, UK: Equinox Publishing. [http://dx.doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/4ksvx\\_v1](http://dx.doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/4ksvx_v1)
- Under review        Ratree Wayland, Rachel Meyer & **Kevin Tang**. Under review. [ANONYMISED]. *Interspeech 2025* [Student Author: RM]
- Under review        Dana Serditova, **Kevin Tang** & Jochen Steffens. Under review. [ANONYMISED]. *Interspeech 2025*
- Under review        Hamid Mojarad & **Kevin Tang**. Under review. [ANONYMISED]. *Interspeech 2025* [Student Author: HM]
- Under review        Anna Sophia Stein & **Kevin Tang**. Under review. [ANONYMISED]. *Interspeech 2025* [Student Author: AS]
- Under review        Rayyan Merchant, Akhilesh Kakolu Ramarao & **Kevin Tang**. Under review. Connecting the Persian-speaking world through transliteration. Preprint: <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2502.20047> [Student Authors: RM, AKR; Senior Author: KT]
- Submitted            Ratree Wayland, Rachel Meyer, Sophia Vellozzi & **Kevin Tang**. Submitted. Individual differences in language acquisition: the impact of study abroad on native English speakers learning Spanish [Corresponding author: KT; Student Author: RM, SV]

#### MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION



- In prep.                Anh Kim Nguyen & **Kevin Tang**. In prep. Misperceptions of spoken words: data from Mandarin monosyllabic words
- In prep.                Ratree Wayland Kevin Tang, Karen W. Hegland & Yonghee Oh. In prep. Temporal and spectral intensity variability in typical and atypical parkinsonism

- In prep. **Kevin Tang**, Ye Tian, Jyrki Tuomainen, Judit Druks & Katja Biermann-Ruben. In prep. PSYCHI-GRAM: a psycholinguistic database of Mandarin Chinese nouns and verbs for grammatical class research
- In prep. **Kevin Tang** & Jason A. Shaw. In preparation. Homophones are not homophonic in Mandarin Chinese
- In prep. John Harris, Nicholas Neasom & **Kevin Tang**. In prep. Phonotactics with [awt] rules: the learnability of a simple, unnatural pattern in English.

## PH.D. THESIS

- 2015 **Kevin Tang**. 2015. *Naturalistic speech misperception*. University College London dissertation [ pdf |  bib]  
This thesis yielded a new corpus containing  $\approx 5,000$  instances of naturally occurring misperception of conversational English. Please see the SEAR (Slips of the **EAR**) Project for more details: [www.searproject.org](http://www.searproject.org)

## EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

- 2024 Lara Rüter, Julika Weber, Christopher Geissler & **Kevin Tang**. 2024. *Project Report – Interactive web-based review units for phonetics and phonology*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/74x6p>. [osf.io/preprints/psyarxiv/74x6p](https://osf.io/preprints/psyarxiv/74x6p) [ Poster]
- 2023 Lara Rüter, Julika Weber, Christopher Geissler & **Kevin Tang**. 2023. *Course content of “Interactive web-based review units for phonetics and phonology”*. Open Science Framework. Available also at <https://www.twillo.de/education-sharing/components/render/139c131a-a8a5-4b2e-852c-3f6b8a7b57a4>. <http://dx.doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/KJNAD> [Student authors: LR and JW; Senior and corresponding authors: CG and KT] [License: 
- 2023 **Kevin Tang**, Akhilesh Kakolu Ramarao & Anna Sophia Stein. 2023. *Course content of “FOSStering Digital Humanities through Accent Diversity & Conversational Devices”*. Open Science Framework. <https://osf.io/2cg9z/> [Student authors: AKR and ASS; Senior and corresponding author: KT]

## RESEARCH TOOLS

- 2025 **Kevin Tang**. 2025. *Praat Toolkit*. <https://osf.io/8qaxp/>. <http://dx.doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/8QAXP>
- 2018 **Kevin Tang**. 2018. *Linger Toolkit*. <https://osf.io/v59gr/>. <http://dx.doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/V59GR>
- 2012 **Kevin Tang**. 2012. A 61 million word corpus of Brazilian Portuguese film subtitles as a resource for linguistic research. *UCL Working Papers in Linguistics* 24. 208–214. <http://dx.doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/VB5YP>

## Grants and awards

### WHILE AT HEINRICH-HEINE-UNIVERSITY DÜSSELDORF

- 2025 Education Grant. **€11,218. e-Learning support fund**, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf. “AI Literacy for Machine Translation: Critical Reflection of Biases and Parallel Corpora for Multilingual Literary Texts”. Co-applicant: Dr. Hannah Pardey [[Further info](#)]
- 2025 Teaching Nomination. **Nominierungen für den Lehrpreis 2025**. Service-Center für gutes Lehren und Lernen, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf. “Laboratory Phonology” and “Phonetics and Phonology”. [[Further info](#)]
- 2024–2025 Research Grant. **\$99,956**. American Council of Learned Societies. Digital Justice Development Grants. “Reanimating African American Oral Histories of the Gulf South: Enhancing Public Engagement”. Funding awarded to Sarah Moeller (Linguistics). Role: Principal member of the project team with Anna Hamilton and Rebekah A. Cordova (Education) [[Further info](#)] (Own share: None)
- 2024 Education Grant. **€10,429. e-Learning support fund**, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf. “Computational Methods for the Study of Multilingual Literary Texts”. Co-applicant: Dr. Hannah Pardey [[Further info](#)]
- 2024 Teaching Nomination. **Nominierungen für den Lehrpreis 2024**. Service-Center für gutes Lehren und Lernen, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf. “Language and Health” and “Phonetics and Phonology”. [[Further info](#)] [[Quote from students](#)]
- 2023 Education Grant. **€9,728. e-Learning support fund**, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf. “Choose Your Own Adventure: Teleporting to a Virtual Phonetics Laboratory”. Co-applicant: Eoin O’Reilly and Christopher Geissler [[Project page](#)] [[Grant info](#)]
- 2022 Teaching Nomination. **Nominierungen für den Lehrpreis 2022**. Service-Center für gutes Lehren und Lernen, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf. “Quantitative Methods for Linguistic Data: An Introduction to Statistics using R”. [[Further info](#)] [[Quote from students](#)]
- 2022 Hardware Grant. **20 × NVIDIA® Jetson™ Nano Developer Kits**. NVIDIA Academic Hardware Grant, “FOSStering Digital Humanities through Accent Diversity & Conversational Devices”. Co-applicant: Akhilesh Kakolu Ramarao [[Project page](#)] [[Grant info](#)]
- 2022 Education Grant. **€9,424. e-Learning support fund**, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf. “Interactive web-based review units for phonetics and phonology”. Co-applicant: Christopher Geissler and Akhilesh Kakolu Ramarao [[Project page](#)] [[Grant info](#)] [[Report](#)] [[Poster](#)]



## WHILE AT UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

- 2021–2023      Research Grant. **\$85,000**. University of Florida Office of Research – Research Opportunity Seed Fund. “Demystifying perceptual evaluations of parkinsonism sub-categorizations using machine learning”. Co-PI with Karen Wheeler Heglan (Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences), Yonghee Oh (Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences) and Ratree Wayland (Linguistics)
- 2021–2024      Research Grant. **\$349,990**. National Endowment for the Humanities (Award ID: PW-277433-21). “Reanimating African American Oral Histories of the Gulf South: Tailoring Education and Research through Natural Language Understanding”. Past role: PI (PI-ship transferred to Sarah Moeller). Current role: Co-I. Co-PI: Paul Ortiz (Samuel Proctor Oral History Program), and Stephanie Birch (Libraries). Co-I with Deborah Hendrix (SPOHP), Laura Spears (Libraries), Brittany Kester (Libraries), Joshua Martin and Rebekah A. Cordova (Education) [[Project page](#)] [[Further info 1](#)] [[Further info 2](#)]
- 2020–2023      Research Grant. **\$750,000**. National Science Foundation (Award ID: 2037266). “Smart Electropalatography for Linguistic and Medical Applications (SELMA)”. Co-PI with Yong-Kyu Yoon (Engineering), Ratree Wayland (Linguistics) and Lori J. Altmann (Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences) [[Project page](#)] [[Further info](#)]
- 2020–2021      Research Grant. **\$49,004**. University of Florida Clinical and Translational Science Institute. “A sociolinguistic-enabled web application to precision health intervention for African Americans”. Co-PI with Janice Krieger (Communication Sciences and Medicine) [[Further info](#)]
- 2020–2021      Research Grant. **\$18,875**. University of Florida Informatics Institute. “The emergence of COVID-19 team science: tracking topics, networks and expertise in global COVID-19 research”. Co-PI with Raffaele Vacca (Network Sciences). [[Further info](#)]
- 2021              Research Mentor Award. **\$1000** University of Florida, University Scholars Program. Two awards (\$500 per award). Research students: Rayyan Merchant and Ryan Aponte [[Further info](#)]
- 2020,2021      Research Mentor Award. **\$1500** University of Florida, University Research Scholars Program. Six awards (\$250 per award). Research students: Grace Tovkach, Ryan Aponte, Nancy Chen, Rayyan Merchant, Calvin Yang, Sophia Vellozzi [[Further info](#)]

## WHILE AT ZHEJIANG UNIVERSITY

- 2018              Research Grant. 90,000 RMB (\$12,738). The Fundamental Research Funds for the Central Universities, The Institute of Social Sciences, China. “Interdisciplinary study of multilingualism in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance”. Co-applicant with Hao Tian Hu, Feng Guo Dong and Lu Yun

## WHILE AT YALE (POST-DOC)

2017–2019	Research Grant. \$14,500. Salomon Award. “Multi-purpose corpora for modern Mayan languages”. Co-applicant with Prof. Scott AnderBois (Brown), Prof. Ryan Bennett (Yale) and Prof. Robert Henderson (Arizona)
2016	Research Grant. £1200. International Association for Forensic Phonetics and Acoustics (IAFPA) “The Phonetics of Trademark Law”. Co-applicant with Silvia Dahmen (University of Cologne) and Lawrence Solan (Brooklyn Law School)

#### WHILE AT UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON (GRADUATE)

2013	European Science Foundation Short Visit Grant received by NetWordS - 09-RNP-089, The European Network on Word Structure. Openlexicons project at the Center for Reading Research, Department of Experimental Psychology, Ghent University, Belgium
2013	The Big Data Hackathon - April - Data Science London. Second Prize for the Data Visualization Challenge (in 24 hours): develop a data visualization based on data provided by Peerindex (with Joaquin Atria, Mauricio Figueroa & Tim Schoof) [See the final product “Twittrends”: <a href="https://goo.gl/o243ZI">https://goo.gl/o243ZI</a> ]
2011	Arts and Humanities Research Council. M.Phil./Ph.D. Studentship: M.Phil./Ph.D. in Linguistics at University College London

#### WHILE AT UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE (UNDERGRADUATE)

2009	The Institution of Engineering and Technology. The IET Innovation Award, Finalist: Gap year project: Automatic Testing of Novel High Resolution X-ray Optics Using Matlab
2009	Cambridge University Language Centre. Bursaries for Science and Medical Students for Language Courses Abroad
2006	<b>The Year In Industry</b> Contribution to Business Award, Finalist: Gap year project
2005	The Institution of Engineering and Technology. The IET Fuse Scholarship: University

## Outreach

### SCIENCE EVENTS WITH DEMONSTRATIONS

- 2024      **Kevin Tang**, Dalia Carvalho Rodrigues, Vittorio Ciccarelli & The Speech, Lexicon, and Modeling lab. 2024. Sprachwissenschaft in Aktion: Studierende als Forscher\*innen (English: linguistics in action: students as researchers). In *Nacht der Wissenschaft*. Shadowplatz, Düsseldorf. <https://www.nachtderwissenschaft-duesseldorf.de/> [Event report] [Virtual booth]
- 2022      **Kevin Tang**, Anh Kim Nguyen, Christopher Geissler & The Speech, Lexicon, and Modeling lab. 2022. Role of linguistics in AI for social good. In *Nacht der Wissenschaft*. Shadowplatz, Düsseldorf. <https://www.nachtderwissenschaft-duesseldorf.de/> [Event report] [Virtual booth]

### SCIENCE EVENTS WITHOUT DEMONSTRATIONS

- 2025      **Kevin Tang**. May, 2025. A slip 'twixt the pint and the tongue: the link between alcohol and speech. *Pint of Science, Düsseldorf, Germany*. <https://pintofscience.de/events/duesseldorf> [Presenting own work: **K. Tang**, C. B. Chang, Green, Bao, Hindley, Y. S. Kim & Nevins (2022), C. Chang, **K. Tang** & Nevins (2023a), Wayland, **K. Tang**, F. Wang, Vellozzi & Sengupta (2023a)]
- 2025      Lian Remme. April, 2025. Playing with voices: tabletop role-playing game recordings as a diarization challenge. *Science Slam in der Zentralbibliothek, Düsseldorf, Germany* [Collaborator presenting joint work: **Remme & K. Tang** (2025b)]
- 2025      **Kevin Tang**. March, 2025. What's in a slip of the tongue? using articulatory-informed ai models to understand neurological disorders, intoxication, and second language accent. *Brain Awareness Week, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf, Germany*. <https://www.ling.hhu.de/en/departments/linguistik-iv-psycho-und-neurolinguistik/brain-awareness-week> [Part of the Brain Awareness Week organised by Pamela Villar González]

### INVITED TALKS

- 2020      **Kevin Tang**. November, 2020(a). Science without borders: where linguistics meets human health research. *Annual Research Forum: Multicultural Association of Pre-Health Student (M.A.P.S.)*, University of Florida, USA. <https://www.mapsuf.com/>
- 2020      **Kevin Tang**. November, 2020(b). The importance of One Health on linguistics. *One Health Week 2020*, One Health Center of Excellence, University of Florida, USA. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1W-AFDYAGUI/>

## RESEARCH REPORTED IN THE MEDIA

- 2022 Avery Thompson. 2022. Tonal language speakers experience less vocal impairment from alcohol. *AIP Scilight*. <http://dx.doi.org/doi.org/10.1063/10.0013392>. <https://aip.scitation.org/doi/10.1063/10.0013392/>
- 2020 How Genetics Guide the Evolution of Language? 2020. *News, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida*. <https://news.clas.ufl.edu/how-genetics-guide-the-evolution-of-language/>
- 2018 Nikhil Sonnad. 2018. Can genes change the way languages evolve? *Quartz*. <https://qz.com/1264305/can-genes-change-the-way-languages-evolve/>

## NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

- 2020 **Kevin Tang**. 2020. Forward – reminiscences of an undergraduate from the noughties. *Churchill Review: 60th Anniversary of Churchill College* 57B. 79–80
- 2015 M.C. Carmo & **Kevin Tang**. 2015. Alternância, ‘auternância’ ou ‘arternância’: variação dos sons da fala. *Diário da Região*. 28 February 2015, 4C–4C [Article: <https://goo.gl/QT6WKQ>]

## **Presentations**

### PEER-REVIEWED TALKS

- 2024 Akhilesh Kakolu Ramarao, **Kevin Tang** & Dinah Baer-Henney. N.d. A computational approach to understanding the cognitive reality of morphomic patterns: the case of L-shaped morphemes in Spanish. Annual Meeting of Linguistics Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Newcastle University, United Kingdom [Student Authors: AKR]
- 2024 **Kevin Tang**, Sarah Moeller & Alice Rozet. 2024. Automatic detection of morphosyntactic dialect features in African American English oral histories. MODIFIED: Morphosyntactic Dialect Feature Detection Workshop, Leiden University, The Netherlands [Student Authors: AR]
- 2024 Janice Krieger, **Kevin Tang**, Alexis Davis, Joshua L. Martin, Eric Cooks, Melissa J. Vilaro & Danyell Wilson-Howard. 2024. From English to “Englishes”: a process perspective on enhancing the linguistic responsiveness of culturally tailored cancer prevention interventions. The 18th International Conference on Language and Social Psychology (ICLASP18:2024), Tallinn University, Estonia [Student Authors: AD]

- 2023 Ratree Wayland, **Kevin Tang**, Fenqi Wang, Sophia Vellozzi & Rahul Sen-  
gupta. 2023b. Measuring gradient effects of alcohol on speech with neural net-  
works’ posterior probability of phonological features. The 20th International  
Congress of Phonetic Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic [Student Authors: FW,  
SV, RS]
- 2023 Jessica Nieder & **Kevin Tang**. 2023c. A corpus study of naturalistic misper-  
ceptions in German sung speech. Phonetics and Phonology in Europe 2023,  
Radboud University in Nijmegen, the Netherlands
- 2023 Rayyan Merchant & **Kevin Tang**. 2023a. Connecting the Persian-speaking  
world through transliteration. North American Conference in Iranian Linguis-  
tics 3 [Student Author: RM]
- 2023 Akhilesh Kakolu Ramarao, **Kevin Tang** & Dinah Baer-Henney. January,  
2023. Can Neural Networks learn human-like behavior when inflecting verbs?  
the case of Spanish. Shortlisted presentation at the Five-Minute linguist com-  
petition, *Linguistic Society of America 97th Annual Meeting 2023*, Denver,  
CO, USA [Student Author: AKR]
- 2022 Jason Shaw & **Kevin Tang**. October, 2022. A dynamic neural field model of  
leaky prosody: proof of concept. *2022 Annual Meeting on Phonology*, Univer-  
sity of California, Los Angeles, USA.. <https://osf.io/7znbf/>
- 2021 Fenqi Wang, Delin Deng, Qingcheng Zeng, Ratree Wayland & **Kevin Tang**.  
2021. A corpus study of the production of syllable-initial /l/ and /n/ in Gan-  
accented Mandarin: random forest classification. The 49th Meeting of New  
Ways of Analyzing Variation [Student Authors: FW, DD, QZ]
- 2021 **Kevin Tang** & Dinah Baer-Henney. 2021. The necessity of modelling lexical  
effects during artificial language learning paradigm. Workshop at 54th Annual  
Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea (SLE 2021), Athens, Greece.
- 2021 **Kevin Tang**, Kaixuan Gong, Jingyi Yang, Sixian Du & Yanduo Chen. 2021.  
Modeling the acceptability of Mandarin pseudowords with big data – the case  
of gradient phonotactics. The 18th *Old World Conference in Phonology*, Ibiza,  
Spain. [Student Authors: KG, JY, SD, and YC]
- 2021 Calvin Yang & **Kevin Tang**. 2021. A richer model is not always more accu-  
rate: evaluating phonotactic knowledge with 8,400 nonwords. The 18th *Old  
World Conference in Phonology*, Ibiza, Spain. [Student Author: CY]
- 2020 Dinah Baer-Henney & **Kevin Tang**. September, 2020. Disentangling L1  
and L2 effects from learning bias in artificial language learning. *Talk at 16th  
Phonetik und Phonologie Tagung*, Trier, Germany

- 2019 **Kevin Tang** & Jason Shaw. October, 2019. Sentence prosody leaks into the lexicon: evidence from Mandarin Chinese. *5th Annual Florida Psycholinguistics Meeting*, University of Miami, USA.
- 2019 **Kevin Tang** & Ryan Bennett. August, 2019. Unite and conquer: bootstrapping forced alignment tools for closely-related minority languages (Mayan). *International Congress of Phonetic Sciences 2019*, Melbourne, Australia
- 2019 **Kevin Tang** & Dinah Baer-Henney. May, 2019. Disentangling L1 and L2 effects in artificial language learning. *27th Manchester Phonology Meeting*, University of Manchester, UK.
- 2018 **Kevin Tang**. November, 2018. How genes shape phonology: evidence from worldwide distribution of the *DCDC2* READ1 regulatory element and its relationship with phoneme variation across languages. *The 8th International Conference on Formal Linguistics*, China.
- 2018 John Harris, **Kevin Tang** & Nicholas Neasom. September, 2018. Do phonologists know too much? A regular, simple, unnatural pattern in English. *14th Phonetik und Phonologie im deutschsprachigen Raum*, University of Vienna, Austria.
- 2018 **Kevin Tang** & Faruk Akkus. January, 2018. OCP Effects in Turkish Partial Reduplication: Locality and Feature Specificity. The 15th *Old World Conference in Phonology*, London, United Kingdom.
- 2017 Ryan Bennett, **Kevin Tang** & Juan Ajsivinac Sian. October, 2017. Laryngeal co-occurrence restrictions in Kaqchikel reflect articulatory timing. *Eighth Conference on Indigenous Languages of Latin America*, University of Texas, USA.
- 2017 Ryan Bennett & **Kevin Tang**. May, 2017. Laryngeal co-occurrence restrictions reflect sub-segmental articulatory structure. *25th Manchester Phonology Meeting*, University of Manchester, UK.
- 2017 Ryan Bennett & **Kevin Tang**. January, 2017. Acoustic and lexical effects on speech perception in Kaqchikel (Mayan). The 91st Annual meeting of the *Linguistic Society of America*, Austin, TX, USA. [Handout]
- 2016 Ryan Bennett & **Kevin Tang**. November, 2016. Perceptual similarity in the stop consonants of Kaqchikel. *Form and Analysis in Mayan Linguistics IV*, Universidad de Oriente, Valladolid, Yucatán, México.
- 2016 Ryan Bennett & **Kevin Tang**. October, 2016. Against phonetic realism as the source of root co-occurrence restrictions. *Annual Meeting on Phonology*, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA. [Handout]



- 2016 Ryan Bennett & **Kevin Tang**. July, 2016. Modeling phonetic and phonological variation with ‘small’ data: evidence from Kaqchikel Mayan. *The 15th Conference on Laboratory Phonology*, Cornell University, USA.
- 2016 John Harris, Nicholas Neasom & **Kevin Tang**. May, 2016(a). Phonotactics with [awt] rules: the learnability of a simple, unnatural pattern in English. *24th Manchester Phonology Meeting*, University of Manchester, UK. [[Handout](#)]
- 2016 Ryan Bennett & **Kevin Tang**. May, 2016. Modeling the production and perception of Kaqchikel Mayan with ‘small’ data. *24th Manchester Phonology Meeting*, University of Manchester, UK.
- 2014 **Kevin Tang** & John Harris. September, 2014. A functional load account of geminate contrastiveness: a meta-study. Annual Meeting of the *Linguistics Association of Great Britain*, University of Oxford, UK.
- 2014 **Kevin Tang**. May, 2014. Using subtitle corpora to model aspects of spoken language. Corpus Linguistics in the South 7: Spoken Language, University College London, UK.
- 2014 **Kevin Tang** & Yan Lou. January, 2014. Mandarin Chinese speech perception in noise: phonological implications. The 11th *Old World Conference in Phonology*, Amsterdam-Leiden, The Netherlands.
- 2013 **Kevin Tang**, Sam Green & Stefanie Anyadi. November, 2013. When interdisciplinarity assists peer-learning: PeerWise at UCL. Higher Education Academy (HEA) STEM: Interdisciplinary show case, BBC Broadcast Centre, London, UK. [[Slides](#)]
- 2013 **Kevin Tang**, Andrew Nevins & Michael Becker. January, 2013(a). Prosody drives alternations: evidence from a 61 million word corpus of Brazilian Portuguese. *The 10th Old World Conference in Phonology*, Istanbul, Turkey.
- 2012 **Kevin Tang** & Andrew Nevins. October, 2012. Naturalistic speech misperception - a computational corpus-based study. The 43rd Annual Meeting of the *North East Linguistic Society*, Computational Linguistics Workshop, New York City, NY, The City University of New York, USA
- 2012 **Kevin Tang** & Andrew Nevins. May, 2012. Learning from mistakes: computational modelling of slips of the ear. *20th Manchester Phonology Meeting*, University of Manchester, UK.

#### PEER-REVIEWED POSTERS



- 2025 Dana Serditova, **Kevin Tang** & Jochen Steffens. March, 2025. Regional biases in Automatic Speech Recognition: the case of Newcastle English. *47th Annual Conference of the German Linguistic Society, Special Interest Group on Computational Linguistics (DGfS-CL)*, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany.
- 2025 Hamid Mojarad & **Kevin Tang**. March, 2025. Sociolinguistic ASR errors in African American English: lexical and contextual effects. *47th Annual Conference of the German Linguistic Society, Special Interest Group on Computational Linguistics (DGfS-CL)*, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany. [Student Author: HM]
- 2024 Rayyan Merchant & **Kevin Tang**. 2024b. ParsText: a digraphic corpus for Tajik-Farsi transliteration. In Kyle Gorman, Emily Prud’hommeaux, Richard Sproat & Brian Roark (eds.), *Proceedings of the Second Workshop on Computation and Written Language (CAWL 2024)*. accepted (Preprint: <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/xd2w>). Torino, Italia: Association for Computational Linguistics. Forthcoming [Student Author: RM]
- 2024 Wilermine Previlon, Alice Rozet, Jotsna Gowda, Bill Dyer, **Kevin Tang** & Sarah Moeller. 2024b. Leveraging syntactic dependencies in disambiguation: the case of African American English. In *Proceedings of the 2024 Joint International Conference on Computational Linguistics, Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC-COLING 2024)*. accepted (Preprint: <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/ph7q8>). Torino, Italia. Forthcoming [Student Authors: WP, AR, JG, BD, Senior authors: KT and SM]
- 2024 Anh Kim Nguyen & **Kevin Tang**. June, 2024. The effect of syllable segmentation and phonological neighbours on spoken word recognition in Mandarin Chinese. *The 19th Conference on Laboratory Phonology*, Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea. [Student Authors: AKN]
- 2023 **Kevin Tang**, Ratree Wayland, Fenqi Wang, Sophia Vellozzi & Rahul Sengupta. October, 2023. Quantitative acoustic versus deep learning metrics of lenition. *19th Phonetik und Phonologie im deutschsprachigen Raum*, University of Bern, Switzerland. [Student Authors: FW, SV, RS]
- 2023 Charles B. Chang, **Kevin Tang** & Andrew Nevins. 2023b. Individual differences in vowel compactness persist under intoxication across first and second languages. The 20th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic
- 2023 Jessica Nieder & **Kevin Tang**. 2023b. “Kriech nicht da rein!” - a new corpus of naturalistic misperception of German misheard sung speech. The 20th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic

- 2023 Ratree Wayland, **Kevin Tang**, Fenqi Wang, Sophia Vellozzi, Rahul Sengupta & Lori Altmann. May, 2023. Neural networks' posterior probability as measure of effects of alcohol on speech. *184th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America*, Chicago, Illinois, USA. [Student Authors: FW, SV, RS]
- 2023 Eoin O'Reilly, Christopher Geissler & **Kevin Tang**. 2023. Uncover articulatory correlates of acoustic duration with analysis-by-synthesis: the case of diphthongs. *Phonetics and Phonology in Europe 2023*, Radboud University in Nijmegen, the Netherlands [Student Author: EO]
- 2023 **Kevin Tang**, Seyedeh Zahra Mirkhaef, Julia Henkel, Christian Hartmann & Katja Biermann-Ruben. March, 2023. Language production in Parkinson's Disease: measuring syntactic complexity. *Parkinson und Bewegungsstörungen - Highlights Digital 2023*, Germany. <https://www.dpg-akbont-kongress.de/>. <https://doi.org/10.17605/OSF.IO/GCH7S> [Student Authors: SZM] (Awarded a poster prize)
- 2023 Rayyan Merchant & **Kevin Tang**. 2023b. Translating through transliteration: the case of Tajik Persian. *Linguistic Society of America 98th Annual Meeting 2023* [Student Authors: RM]
- 2022 Ratree Wayland, **Kevin Tang**, Fenqi Wang, Sophia Vellozzi, Rahul Sengupta & Lori Altmann. December, 2022. Lenition measures: neural networks' posterior probability versus acoustic cues. *183rd Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America*, Nashville, Tennessee, USA.
- 2022 Audrey Zhang, Fjorda Kazazi, **Kevin Tang** & Peter Howell. September, 2022. Changes in mental wellbeing for gender and ethnicity groups between entry, and 4 weeks after starting, university. *The third Institute of Mental Health International Conference*, London, UK.
- 2022 **Kevin Tang**, Akhilesh Kakolu Ramarao & Dinah Baer-Henney. May, 2022. Modeling irregular morphological patterns with recurrent neural network: the case of the L-shaped morpheme. *13th Mediterranean Morphology Meeting*, University of the Aegean, Greece.
- 2022 Eric Cooks, Melissa Vilaro, Andrew Maxim, **Kevin Tang**, Shu Wang, Ben Lok, Maryam Sattari, Danyell Wilson-Howard & Janice Krieger. March, 2022. Deploying virtual clinicians to reduce racial disparities in young-onset colorectal cancer: experiences of Black adults with a culturally-tailored telehealth intervention. *46th annual meeting of the American Society of Preventive Oncology (ASPO)*, Tucson, AZ.

- 2022 Fenqi Wang, Ratree Wayland & **Kevin Tang**. 2022. Native English listeners' processing of pitch accent in the perception of English lexical stress. The 96th Annual Meeting of Linguistic Society of America
- 2021 Eric Cooks, Melissa Vilaro, Andrew Maxim, **Kevin Tang**, Shu Wang, Ben Lok, Maryam Sattari, Danyell Wilson-Howard & Janice Krieger. December, 2021. Extending the use of a virtual technology intervention to deliver colorectal cancer information to a younger cohort: the case of newly screening-eligible young Black adults. *Annual University of Florida Health Cancer Center Research Symposium*, Gainesville, FL.
- 2021 **Kevin Tang** & Jason A. Shaw. 2021a. Non-homophonic homophones in Mandarin Chinese: evidence for phonetic detail in the lexicon. *95th Annual Meeting of Linguistic Society of America 2021*, San Francisco, USA.
- 2021 Alejandro Lopez, Hae Won Kim, Monae McKinney & **Kevin Tang**. 2021. Reducing racial bias in word embeddings with counterfactual data augmentation. *95th Annual Meeting of Linguistic Society of America 2021*, San Francisco, USA. [Student Authors: AL, HWK and MM]
- 2021 Fenqi Wang, **Kevin Tang** & Jun Lyu. 2021. The effect of pitch accent on the perception of English lexical stress by native and non-native listeners. *95th Annual Meeting of Linguistic Society of America 2021*, San Francisco, USA. [Student Authors: FW and JL]
- 2020 **Kevin Tang** & Jason Shaw. 2020. Prosody or information rate? informativity effects on pitch, intensity and duration in Mandarin Chinese words. *The 17th Conference on Laboratory Phonology*, University of British Columbia and Simon Fraser University
- [2020] Bronwen Evans, Hope Stevens & **Kevin Tang**. (Postponed due to COVID-19). The centre cannot hold"? phonetic variation and change in a rural east midlands community. *British Association of Academic Phoneticians (BAAP) 2020*, University of York, UK
- 2020 John Harris, Nicholas Neasom & **Kevin Tang**. February, 2020. Regular does not guarantee categorical: /aw/+coronal in English. *BLS Workshop Phonological representations: at the crossroad between gradience and categoricity*, UC Berkeley, USA.
- 2019 **Kevin Tang** & Jason Shaw. May, 2018. Sentence prosody leaks into the lexicon: evidence from Mandarin Chinese. *7th Annual Meeting on Phonology 2019*, Stony Brook University, NY, USA.
- 2019 **Kevin Tang** & Jason Shaw. May, 2018. Sentence prosody leaks into the lexicon: evidence from Mandarin Chinese. *7th Annual Meeting on Phonology 2019*, Stony Brook University, NY, USA.

- 2019 Hope Stevens Bronwen Evans & **Kevin Tang**. (Offered but Declined), September, 2019. The centre cannot hold”? phonetic variation and change in a rural east midlands community. *2019 Annual Meeting of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain*, Queen Mary University of London, UK.
- 2018 **Kevin Tang** & Faruk Akkus. May, 2018. OCP effects in Turkish partial reduplication: locality and feature specificity. *26th Manchester Phonology Meeting*, University of Manchester, UK.
- 2017 **Kevin Tang** & Andrew Nevins. January, 2017. Expectation and lexical retrieval in naturalistic and experimental misperception. The 91st Annual meeting of the *Linguistic Society of America*, Austin, TX, USA. [Poster]
- 2016 M.M.C. DeMille, J.C. Frijters, **Kevin Tang**, Christopher Geissler, N.R. Powers, B.M. Bowen, A.K. Adams, D.T. Truong & J.R. Gruen. October, 2016. An investigation of the evolution and worldwide distribution of the READ1 element in DCDC2 and its contribution to language development. The 66th Annual Meeting of the *American Society of Human Genetics*, Vancouver, Canada. [Poster]
- 2015 **Kevin Tang**, Ye Tian, E-L. Schwabe, Jyrki Tuomainen & Judit Druks. January, 2015. Chinese abstract verbs and nouns electrified: behavioural and electrophysiological evidence for grammatical class difference at single word processing level. *Thirty-Third European Workshop on Cognitive Neuropsychology*, Bressanone, Italy. [Poster]
- 2014 **Kevin Tang** & Brent de Chene. July, 2014. A new corpus of colloquial Korean and its applications. *The 14th Conference on Laboratory Phonology*, Tachikawa, Tokyo, Japan. [Poster]
- 2013 **Kevin Tang**, Andrew Nevins & Michael Becker. January, 2013(b). Prosody drives alternations: evidence from a 61 million word corpus of Brazilian Portuguese. The 87th Annual Meeting of the *Linguistic Society of America*, Boston, Massachusetts, USA. [Poster]

#### INVITED TALKS

- 2025 **Kevin Tang**. February, 2025(a). Using articulatory-informed neural network models to understand gradient phonetic variation in intoxication, neurological disorders, and second language acquisition. *Sound Workshop*, University of Massachusetts, USA.
- 2025 **Kevin Tang**. February, 2025(b). Using articulatory-informed neural network models to understand neurological disorders, intoxication, and second language accent. *Linguistics Monday Colloquia*, Yale University, USA.
- 2024 Lara Rüter, Julika Weber, Christopher Geissler & **Kevin Tang**. June, 2024. Interactive web-based review units for phonetics and phonology. **ELFF Poster-schau**, E-Learning Förderfonds, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf [ pdf |  materials]

- 2024 **Kevin Tang.** May, 2024. Navigating human behavior in health and education through the lens of natural language. Seminar, The BEHAVE lab (<https://behavelab.org/>) of the Department of Social and Political Sciences, the University of Milan
- 2024 **Kevin Tang.** June, 2024. Beyond “English”: a process perspective on enhancing the linguistic responsiveness of culturally tailored cancer prevention interventions. *Colloquium*, the Institute for the History, Theory and Ethics of Medicine, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf
- 2023 **Kevin Tang.** July 2023. Computational models in Parkinson’s disease research. *32 Tagung der Computerlinguistik-Studierenden (TaCoS)*
- 2023 **Kevin Tang.** June, 2023. Quantifying articulatory precision and language complexity in parkinson’s disease patients. *Colloquium*, the Institut für Klinische Neurowissenschaften und Medizinische Psychologie, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf
- 2023 **Kevin Tang.** Feb, 2023(a). Prosody leaks into the memories of words: evidence from 1,655 speakers and dynamic neural field theory. *Forschungskolloquium, Phonetics, Institute of Linguistics, University of Cologne*
- 2023 **Kevin Tang.** March, 2023. Prosody leaks into the memories of words. *Short-listed Job Talk*, University of Erlangen–Nuremberg, Germany.
- 2023 **Kevin Tang.** Feb, 2023(b). Prosody leaks into the memories of words: evidence from 1,655 speakers and dynamic neural field theory. *SFB 1102: Language Science Colloquium Series, Saarland University*
- 2022 **Kevin Tang.** November, 2022. Reanimating African American oral histories of the Gulf South. Seminar series on Digital Humanities, The Education University of Hong Kong
- 2022 **Kevin Tang.** June, 2022(b). Sentence prosody leaks into the lexicon: evidence from Mandarin Chinese. *Phonology Colloquium, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt*
- 2022 **Kevin Tang.** June, 2022(a). Reanimating African American oral histories of the Gulf South. Lecture series on Information Science and Digital Humanities, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yLus\\_ODOXEk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yLus_ODOXEk)
- 2022 **Kevin Tang.** April, 2022. Quantifying articulatory precision with deep neural networks. *Brown Bag Lunch*, the Heine Center for Artificial Intelligence and Data Science, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf



- 2022 **Kevin Tang.** February, 2022(a). Computational linguistics in the age of the pandemics and AI: Covid as an accelerator of science and fairer speech technology. Digital Humanities Series, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf
- 2022 **Kevin Tang.** February, 2022(b). Race against the machine: how linguistics can mitigate racial disparities in healthcare and in technology. Keynote speech at Students' Conference 2022 – Master of Arts in Comparative Studies in English and American Language, Literature and Culture, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf
- 2021 **Kevin Tang,** Janice Krieger, Josh Martin & Donghee Lee. April, 2021. A sociolinguistic-enabled ALEX: precision health intervention for African Americans. Precision Public Health meeting (Host: Thomas A. Pearson) (<https://www.ctsi.ufl.edu/about/ctsi-programs/precision-health/>), University of Florida, USA.
- 2021 **Kevin Tang.** March, 2021. Quantifying lenition: a preliminary study. Interdisciplinary Microsystems Group seminar series (<https://www.img.ufl.edu/>), University of Florida, USA.
- 2021 **Kevin Tang.** February, 2021. What's in a nonword? methodological challenges in nonword design and analyses. Seminar series "Typical and atypical language acquisition" at the Department of Linguistics, University of Potsdam, Germany.
- 2020 Raffaele Vacca & **Kevin Tang.** December, 2020. Covid-19, an accelerator of science: Evidence from convergence in collaboration and language. University of Florida Informatics Institute: COVID Seed Awardees Series, University of Florida, FL, USA. [[Further info](#)]
- 2020 **Kevin Tang,** Raffaele Vacca, Till Krenz & Thomas Smith. October, 2020. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences AI Workshop: Natural Language Processing. University of Florida, FL, USA. [[Further info](#)]
- 2020 **Kevin Tang.** October, 2020. Revealing mental representation with small and big data – a corpus-phonetic approach. Seminar at the SFI Centre for Research Training in Digitally-Enhanced Reality (D-REAL), Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.
- 2019 **Kevin Tang.** February, 2019(a). Predictability and mental representation: evidence from Mayan and Chinese. *Shortlisted Job Talk*, University of Florida, FL, USA.
- 2019 **Kevin Tang.** February, 2019(b). Predictability and mental representation: evidence from Mayan and Chinese. *Shortlisted Job Talk*, Wayne State University, MI, USA.

- 2019        **Kevin Tang.** February, 2019(c). Predictability and mental representation: evidence from Mayan and Chinese. *NOSH: New Observations in Speech and Hearing*, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, Germany.
- 2018        **Kevin Tang.** July, 2018(a). Expectation shapes speech production and perception: psycholinguistics with ‘small data’. *CRC 1102*, University of Saarland, Germany.
- 2018        **Kevin Tang.** July, 2018(b). Revealing the representation of phonemes through the lens of the probabilistic reduction effect: psycholinguistics with “small data”. *SFB Colloquium*, University of Düsseldorf, Germany.
- 2017        **Kevin Tang.** June, 2017. Experience and expectation predict fine details of perception and production. *Shortlisted Job Talk*, Zhejiang University, China.
- 2017        **Kevin Tang.** April, 2017. Experience and expectation predict fine details of perception and production. *Shortlisted Job Talk*, National Research University Higher School of Economics, Russia.
- 2017        **Kevin Tang** & Ryan Bennett. March, 2017. Expectation shapes speech perception in Kaqchikel Mayan: Psycholinguistics with “Small Data”. *Staff Talk*, Haskins Laboratories, USA.
- 2017        **Kevin Tang.** March, 2017(a). Experience and expectation predict fine details of perception and production. *Linguistics and Modern Language (LML) Seminar Series*, The Education University of Hong Kong, China
- 2017        **Kevin Tang.** March, 2017(b). Experience and expectation predict fine details of perception and production. *Linguistics Seminar Series*, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China
- 2017        **Kevin Tang.** March, 2017(c). Experience and expectation predict fine details of perception and production. *Linguistics Seminar Series*, University of Hong Kong, China
- 2017        **Kevin Tang.** March, 2017(d). Experience and expectation predict fine details of perception and production. *The Ling-Lang Lunch series*, Brown University, USA.
- 2017        **Kevin Tang.** March, 2017(e). Pushing the lexicon to its limits. *Shortlisted Job Talk*, University of Essex, UK.
- 2016        **Kevin Tang.** December, 2016. What is your vision for research-led teaching in corpus linguistics at the undergraduate level? *Shortlisted Job Talk*, University College Dublin, Ireland.

- 2016 John Harris, Nicholas Neasom & **Kevin Tang**. May, 2016(b). Phonotactics with [awt] rules: the learnability of a simple, unnatural pattern in English. *Cambridge Linguistics Society*, University of Cambridge, UK.
- 2016 Lawrence Solan, Silvia Dahmen & **Kevin Tang**. March, 2016. Legal indeterminacy in the spoken word. *Linguistics Friday Lunch Time Talk*, Yale University, USA.
- 2015 Andrew Nevins & **Kevin Tang**. September, 2015. A graceful degradation account of lexical retrieval – evidence from naturalistic misperception. *Linguistics Monday Colloquia*, Yale University, USA.
- 2014 **Kevin Tang**, Sam Green & Stefanie Anyadi. November, 2014. The importance of peer-learning: a case study on PeerWise. Learning Technology & Innovation Show & Tell, London School of Economics and Political Science, London, UK.
- 2013 Sam Green & **Kevin Tang**. November, 2013. The importance of peer-learning: a case study on PeerWise. *The 1st Internet of Education conference*, Knowledge 4 All Foundation Ltd (K4A) and the Artificial Intelligence Lab, Jožef Stefan Institute. Ljubljana, Slovenia. [Video: <https://goo.gl/jHlPvK>]
- 2013 **Kevin Tang** & Sam Green. May, 2013. Implementing a peer learning tool at UCL – Peerwise. *UCL: Summits and Horizons*: Using technology to give better and faster feedback. University College London, London, UK.

## Teaching

### ORGANISED WORKSHOP

- 2023 *Free and Open Source Software (FOSS) for everybody* (co-led with Akhilesh Kakolu Ramarao)  
Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany  
Host: Campus der Ideen, Date: July 1st, 2022, 10-16:00 <https://slam.phil.hhu.de/libreslam/>

### INVITED WORKSHOP

- 2023 *DGfS Tutorials: Computational Modelling for Linguists: Probing the mental lexicon with spoken corpora* (co-taught with Eoin O'Reilly)  
University of Cologne, Germany  
Host: Special Interest Group on Computational Linguistics (SIG CL) of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft, Date: March 7th, 2023, 11-18:00 <https://dgfs2023.uni-koeln.de/programm/satellitenveranstaltungen/cl-tutorium>

### HEINRICH-HEINE-UNIVERSITY DÜSSELDORF

For all the courses taught by my research group see: <https://slam.phil.hhu.de/classes/>

S25	<i>Masters: Vocal Alchemy: Shaping Voices with Signal Processing</i> (Graduate) – Interdisciplinary team teaching with Prof. Dr. Esther Florin (Neurology) and Dr. Carter Williams (Music)
S25	<i>Advanced: Python for Linguists</i> (Undergraduate)
S24,, S25	<i>Masters: Colloquium (Introduction to Graduate Research)</i> (Graduate)
S24, S25	<i>Masters: Ethics and Natural Language Processing</i> (Graduate)
S22, W22/23, S24, S25	<i>Masters: Quantitative Methods for Linguistic Data: An Introduction to Statistics using R</i> (Graduate)
W24/25	<i>Intermediate: Structure of English</i> (Undergraduate)
W24/25	<i>Advanced: Laboratory Phonology</i> (Undergraduate)
W23/24, W24/25	<i>Masters: Language and Health</i> (Graduate)
W21/22, W22/23, S24	<i>Advanced: Introduction to Corpus Phonetics</i> (Undergraduate)
W22/23, W23/24	<i>Advanced: Computational Modelling</i> (Undergraduate)
W21/22, W22/23, W23/24	<i>Intermediate: Phonetics and Phonology</i> (Undergraduate)
S22, W22/23	<i>Basic: Master Comparative Studies</i> (Graduate)
S22	<i>Methods: Programming for Linguists</i> (Undergraduate)
S22	<i>Advanced: Biased Language Technology in a Social World</i> (Undergraduate)
W21/22, S22, W23/24, S24	<i>Basic: Introduction to Linguistics (Part I: Language Structure) (Part II: Language Use)</i> (Undergraduate)
W21/22	<i>Advanced: Phonetic and Phonological Similarity</i> (Graduate)

#### UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

Spring 2021	<i>Sounds of Human Language</i> (Undergraduate)
Spring 2020,2021	<i>Introduction to Computational Linguistics</i> (Undergraduate and Graduate)
Fall 2020	<i>Spring 2020's symposium; Spring 2021's symposium</i>
Fall 2019	<i>Introduction to Graduate Research</i> (Graduate)
Fall 2019	<i>Introduction to Phonology</i> (Undergraduate)
Fall 2019	<i>LIN6323 Phonology 1</i> (Graduate)

#### ZHEJIANG UNIVERSITY

2019	<i>Introduction to Laboratory Phonology</i> (Graduate)
2018	<i>Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology</i> (Graduate)
2018, 2019	<i>Introduction to Linguistics</i> (Undergraduate)

#### YALE UNIVERSITY

2017	<i>Quantitative Linguistics using Corpora</i> (Undergraduate and graduate)
2016	<i>Topics in Phonology: The Phonetics-Phonology Interface</i> (Undergraduate and graduate) (with Prof. Ryan Bennett)

#### UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

2014	<i>Introduction to Statistics for Linguists using R</i> (Graduate) (Instructor)
2012, 2013	<i>Introduction to Statistics for Linguists using R</i> (Graduate) (Instructor with Dr. Ye Tian)
2011, 2012	<i>Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology B</i> (Undergraduate and graduate) Teaching Assistant (Instructor: Prof. Andrew Nevins.)
2011, 2012	<i>Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology A</i> (Undergraduate and graduate) Teaching Assistant (Instructor: Prof. Andrew Nevins.)

#### INVITED GUEST LECTURES

2022	<i>Introduction to Speech Perception</i> Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf, Germany Course: “I’ll never leave your pizza burning’ - The phonetics and phonology of misheard song lyrics” (Undergraduate), Host: Dr. Jessica Nieder, Date: September 30th 2022
2017	<i>Slips of the Ear as a Window into Grammar</i> Brown University, USA Course: CLPS 0050M (Undergraduate), Host: Prof. Scott AnderBois, Date: March 8th 2017
2017	<i>Sufficient Data, Not ‘Big’ Data – A case of using ‘Small’ Data to Model the Production and Perception of Kaqchikel Mayan</i> Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece Course: Computational Linguistics (Graduate), Host: Prof. Alexandros Tantos, Date: June 2nd 2016

## **Advising**

#### SELECTED SUCCESSES OF THE MENTEES

2025	<b>Winner of the 2024 Joshua A. Fishman Award</b> Dr. Joshua L. Martin, <i>Automatic Speech Recognition Systems, Spoken Corpora, and African American Language: An Examination of Linguistic Bias and Morphosyntactic Features</i> (University of Florida). The dissertation award is to recognize early-career scholars in the sociology of language.
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- 2024 **Rayyan Merchant** (B.A. in Computer Science and Linguistics, University of Florida) selected to the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange for Young Professionals (CBYX) programme – a fellowship that annually provides 75 American and 75 German young professionals the opportunity to spend one year in each other’s countries, studying, interning, and living with hosts on a cultural immersion program.
- 2023 **Sophia Vellozzi** (B.A. in Computer and Information and Engineering, University of Florida) received the UF undergraduate AI Research Scholarship and co-authored two journal articles and three proceeding papers. Now: Software engineering at LinkedIn
- 2023 The LINGUIST list’s Rising Stars awarded to **Anna Sophia Stein** (M.A. in Linguistics, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf); **Anh Kim Nguyen** (M.A. in Linguistics, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf) and **Rayyan Merchant** (B.A. in Computer Science and Linguistics, University of Florida)
- 2023 Poster prize (€500) of the Highlights Digital 2023 der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Parkinson und Bewegungsstörungen e.V. awarded to Seyedeh Zahra Mirkhaef (M.A. in Comparative Studies in English and American Language, Literature, and Culture, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf)

#### MENTORSHIP PROGRAMMES

- 2022 – Present *Female early career researchers* – SelmaMeyerMentoring at Heinrich-Heine-University – <https://www.mentoring.hhu.de/>
- 2019 – Present *Undergraduate researchers* – Center for Undergraduate Research at the University of Florida – <https://cur.aa.ufl.edu/2020/10/13/kevin-tang-phd-ma-meng/>

#### PH.D. EXAMINER

- 2024 Ghattas Eid (Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf)  
 2022 Simon Stein (Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf)  
 2022 Aviad Albert (University of Cologne)

#### HEINRICH-HEINE-UNIVERSITY DÜSSELDORF: POSTDOCTORAL ADVISOR

- Aug. 2023 – Dr. Dana Serditova (Ph.D., University of Freiburg).  
 Present  
 Sept. 2021 – Dr. Christopher Geissler (Ph.D., Yale University). Currently Visiting Assistant Professor in Linguistics at Carleton College, USA  
 Sept. 2023

#### HEINRICH-HEINE-UNIVERSITY DÜSSELDORF: GRADUATE: PH.D. ADVISOR

- April 2023 – Hamid Mojarrad (DAAD scholar, German Academic Exchange Service)  
 Oct. 2022 – Dec. 2023 Eoin O’Reilly (Career transition: software engineering in industry)



HEINRICH-HEINE-UNIVERSITY DÜSSELDORF: GRADUATE: BACHELOR/MASTER ADVISOR

- December 2024 – April 2025 Andre Oppenheimer *Topic-based sentiment analysis of African American Oral History Interviews* (B.A. in Anglistik, HHU)  
Submitted on time. Completed.
- December 2024 – Present Dmitry Gromadsky *Investigating Linguistic Coherence and Body Movement Synchrony in Collaborative Dialogue* (M.A. in Comparative Studies in English and American Language, Literature and Culture, HHU)  
In progress.
- January 2025 – Present Anh Kim Nguyen *Misperception of spoken words: The case of Mandarin Chinese* (M.A. in Linguistics, HHU)  
In progress.
- August 2023 – November 2023 Nastassia Braun *Automatic Speech Recognition systems and African American English - An investigation of linguistic biases towards features associated with African American English* (B.A. in Anglistik, HHU)  
Submitted on time. Completed
- March 2023 – July 2023 Maximilian Sattler *How Does Credibility Sound? Investigation on Voice Timbre Semantics* (B.Eng. in Ton und Bild, Hochschule Düsseldorf)  
Submitted on time. Completed. (Co-advised with Prof. Dr. Jochen Steffens, Hochschule Düsseldorf)
- Summer 2022 – March 2023 Anna Sophia Stein *Probabilistic reduction and the mental lexicon* (B.A. in Linguistics, HHU)  
Submitted on time. Completed (Co-advised with Dr. Christopher Geissler, HHU)
- Summer 2022 – November 2023 Seyedeh Zahra Mirkhaef *Language Production in Parkinson's Disease: Measuring Syntactic Complexity and Phonetic Variations* (M.A. in Comparative Studies in English and American Language, Literature, and Culture, HHU)  
Submitted on time. Completed (Co-advised with Prof. Biermann-Ruben, HHU)

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA: GRADUATE: PH.D. COMMITTEES

- Fall 2021 – Rachel Meyer, Dept. of Linguistics.
- Fall 2021 – April 2025 Alexis Davis, Dept. of Linguistics. *Black Mecha(linguistics): Addressing antiBlackness in automated speech recognition systems*  
Submitted on time. Completed.
- Spring 2020 – Spring 2022 Tristan Czarnecki-Verner, Dept. of Linguistics. *Neural oscillations and neural entrainment in speech processing; can rhythmic entrainment overcome prior language experience?*  
Submitted on time. Completed. Now at Adam Mickiewicz University, Post-doctoral researcher
- Fall 2019 – Spring 2022 Joshua Martin, Dept. of Linguistics. *Automatic Speech Recognition Systems, Spoken Corpora, and African American Language: An Examination of Linguistic Bias and Morphosyntactic Features*  
Submitted on time. Completed. Now at University of Florida, Instructional Designer

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA: UNDERGRADUATE SENIOR PROJECTS/SENIOR THESES

Fall 2023	Role: Advisor. Rayyan Merchant. <i>A Grapheme-to-Phoneme Approach to Tajik-Farsi Transliteration</i> Submitted on time
Spring 2021	Role: Advisor. Halee Corbin, Gianfranco Cortes, Simon Frank, Isaiah Linares and Sagar Patel. Computer Science (CSC) – 4914 Senior Design – <i>AlphaMask: Face Mask Object Detection in Live Video Feed</i> [ <a href="#">Project page</a> ] Submitted on time
Summer 2020	Role: Grader. Hae Won Kim. <i>Bias in Speech Perception</i> (Advisor: Dr. Ratree Wayland) Submitted on time

#### UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA: UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PROJECTS

Currently	Tejasvi Dudipalla (Summer 2022-Present), Sophia Vellozzi (Spring 2021-Present), Rayyan Merchant (Fall 2019-Present)
Past students	Haotian Wang (Spring 2021-Spring 2022), Michelle Moyé (Spring 2020–Fall 2021), Ryan Aponte (Fall 2019-Spring 2021), Nancy Chen (Fall 2019-Summer 2022), Robin Fintz (Spring 2020-Spring 2022), Harrison Santiago (Fall 2020-Summer 2022), Alex Diep (Fall 2020-Summer 2021), Miranda Ingram (Fall 2020-Spring 2021), Andrew Penton (Spring 2020-Fall 2020), Natalie Furlow (Fall 2019-Fall 2020), Grace Tovkach (Fall 2019-Spring 2020), Alexandra Kcomt (Fall 2019)

#### ZHEJIANG UNIVERSITY: B.A./M.A. ADVISOR

2017–2019	M.A. Dissertations: Qi Xin. <i>Modelling the nativeness and intelligibility of Mandarin-accented English pronunciation</i> Submitted on time
2018–2020	Undergraduate research projects: Gong Kaixuan, Yang Jingyi and Du Sixian. <i>Behavioural databases for phonological research</i>

#### YALE UNIVERSITY: GRADUATE STUDENTS: QUALIFYING PAPERS

2015–2017	Luke Lindemann <i>Phonological Variation Throughout Texas German: s/f alternation</i> Submitted on time Martin Fuchs <i>Syllable weight and antepenultimate stress in Spanish: experimental evidence and phonotactic learning models</i> Submitted on time
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#### UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON: MASTERS STUDENTS: M.A. DISSERTATIONS

2013	Carly Morris, <i>The Effect of Alcohol on Consonant Cluster Reduction</i> Distinction and submitted on time (Co-advising with Prof. John Harris)
2013	Mike Hindley, <i>A Study into the Effect of Alcohol on L2: Germans Speaking English</i> Distinction and submitted on time (Co-advising with Prof. Andrew Nevins)
2013	Ji Hye Kwon, <i>The Effect of Alcohol on the L2 Vowels of Korean L1 Speakers</i> Distinction and submitted on time (Co-advising with Prof. Andrew Nevins)

2013	Yan Lou, <i>Mandarin Chinese Speech Perception in Noise</i> Distinction and submitted on time (Co-advising with Prof. Andrew Nevins)
2013	Yuen Lam, <i>Slips of the Ear in Mandarin Chinese</i> Pass and submitted on time (Co-advising with Prof. Andrew Nevins)

## Service to the field

### GRANT REVIEWING

Ad hoc	National Science Foundation (USA) – 2 grant
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ARTICLE REVIEWING – See my peer reviewer’s profile at *Web of Science*: [IVV-5728-2023](#)

Ad hoc	18 journals <i>Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence</i> (4), <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> (1), <i>Computer Surveys</i> (1), <i>Humanities and Social Sciences Communications</i> (1), <i>Laboratory Phonology</i> (1), <i>Glossa: a journal of general linguistics</i> (1), <i>The Mental Lexicon</i> (1), <i>Journal of the Acoustical Society of America</i> (1), <i>Sensors</i> (1), <i>Field Methods</i> (1), <i>PLOS One</i> (3), <i>Manual of Romance Forensic Linguistics</i> (1), <i>Linguistics Vanguard</i> (2), <i>Journal of Fluency Disorders</i> (4), <i>Lingua</i> (1, pre- <i>Glossa</i> ), <i>Language and Speech</i> (2), <i>Muitas Vozes</i> (1), <i>Genes</i> (1)
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### ABSTRACT/PAPER REVIEWING FOR CONFERENCES

2025	Young Female Researchers in Speech Workshop 2025 (YFRSW)
2025	Association for Computational Linguistics Rolling Review
2023	Young Female Researchers in Speech Workshop 2023 (YFRSW)
2020	Annual Meeting on Phonology 2020 , University of California Santa Cruz, USA, September 2020
2020	Interspeech 2020, Shanghai, China, October 2020
2019	Interspeech 2019, Graz, Austria, September 2019
2018	Interspeech 2018, Hyderabad, India, September 2018
2017	92 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Salt Lake City, USA, January 2018
2017	Interspeech 2017, Stockholm, Sweden, August 2017
2017	ICASSP, The 42nd IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing, New Orleans, USA, March 2017
2016	Interspeech, San Francisco, USA, September 2016
2016, 2018	Conference of the Student Organisation of Linguistics in Europe, York, UK
2013, 2015	University College London Graduate Conference in Linguistics, London, UK

### CONFERENCE ORGANISER

2020	Florida Linguistics Yearly Meeting 2020: Co-organiser with Ratree Wayland
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### EDITORIAL BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBER

2022	Interspeech 2022 satellite event – <i>Cross-linguistic effects of information theoretic factors in interactive communication (CLITIC)</i>
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2020–present	International Editorial Board for <i>Revista Uniletras</i>
2019	International Conference on Humanities and Social Science Research

## ARTICLE EDITING

2013	University College London Working Papers in Linguistics, Volume 25
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## University service

October 2024 –	Head of Study Programme (Studiengangsleitung), Bachelor of Arts English and American Studies, Institute of English and American Studies, Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf ( <a href="https://www.anglistik.hhu.de/studium-bachelor-of-arts">https://www.anglistik.hhu.de/studium-bachelor-of-arts</a> )
March 2024 –	Taskforce member of the Heine-Jahr pre-study programme, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf
October 2022 – September 2024	Chair (Geschäftsführer) of the Institute of English and American Studies, Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf
Spring 2021 – Spring 2021	Member of the <a href="#">University of Florida Health Cancer Center</a> . Member of Job Search Committee (an AI Initiative position at Linguistics), University of Florida
Fall 2020	Reviewer for 2021 Research Opportunity Seed Fund for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida.
2019–2021	<a href="#">Chair of Visiting Scholars Committee</a> , University of Florida
2019	Organiser (with Ratree Wayland), <a href="#">Florida Linguistics Yearly Meeting (FLYM 2019)</a>
2018–2019	Co-director (with Matthew Reeve), <a href="#">Ling-Lunch</a> , Zhejiang University
2011–2015	Organiser, <a href="#">Laboratory for Language and Speech Diversions</a> , Director: Prof. Andrew Nevins, University College London
2013–2014	Organiser (with Nicholas Neasom), <a href="#">Phonology Reading Group</a> , University College London
2011–2012	Student academic representative, M.Phil/Ph.D. in Linguistics, University College London

## Professional affiliations

2025–Present	<a href="#">Fellow of the Young Academy of Europe</a>
2024–Present	Member, <a href="#">German Society for Computational Linguistics &amp; Language Technology – Gesellschaft für Sprachtechnologie und Computerlinguistik e.V.</a>
2024–Present	Member, <a href="#">Association for Diversity in Linguistics – Diversität in der Linguistik e.V.</a>
2024–Present	Member, <a href="#">International Association of Language and Social Psychology (IALSP)</a>
2023–Present	Member, <a href="#">Anglistenverband</a>
2022–Present	Member, <a href="#">The German linguistic society and its Computational Linguistics section – Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft (DGfS)</a>

2022–Present	Associate Member, <a href="#">Acoustical Society of America (ASA)</a>
2014–Present	Member, <a href="#">Association for Laboratory Phonology (LabPhon)</a>
2013–Present	Member, <a href="#">Linguistic Society of America (LSA)</a>
2021–Present	Member, <a href="#">Societas Linguistica Europaea (SLE)</a>
2021–Present	Member, <a href="#">Deutscher Hochschulverband</a>

## Technical and language skills

### EXPERIMENTAL–COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS

PROGRAMMING	Python & Matlab
DATA MANAGEMENT	Git, <a href="#">OSF.io</a>
DATA COLLECTION	PsychoPy, jspsych & Qualtrics/Prolific/Gorilla/Amazon Mechanical Turk
DATA ANALYSIS	Julia, R Statistical Software, Praat, Parselmouth
DOCUMENT	LaTeX, Markdown & {Microsoft, Open} Office
OS	Unix/Linux(Terminal) & Windows

### LANGUAGES

English	Fluent	
Cantonese	Advanced	Heritage
Mandarin	Advanced	Courses at Cambridge University Engineering Language Department, 2006–2008.
Chinese		
German	Intermediate	B.2.2 (in progress). Obtained B1 TELC certificate (Grade: Gut).
Modern	Beginner	Level 2/5 course at University of Cyprus. July–Aug 2009.
Greek		
Spanish	Beginner	A1 course at El Instituto Salmantino de Lenguas Aplicadas, Spain, Aug–Sep 2007.

### INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

Sep–Dec 2013	Altitude Education Ltd, London, UK – E-Learning
	POSITION: Linguistic consultant (Part-time) DESCRIPTION: Examined and restructured the English phonics encoding for the <i>Pippop</i> phonics course app MANAGER: Alexander Thompson
2005–2006	Oxford Danfysik (now FMB Oxford), Oxford, UK – Specialist in synchrotron components.
	POSITION: Year In Industry Student (Full-time) DESCRIPTION: Co-founded a project for automatic testing of novel high resolution X-ray optics using Matlab, which subsequently reached finals of the IET Innovation Awards 2009. This software enables unattended motion testing of synchrotron components which allows 70% of the company's testing to be automated and gives an approximate annual saving of £20,000. MENTOR: <a href="#">Dr. Alexander Babkevich</a>