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EDUCATION

Since Nov 2022-	PhD in LINGUISTICS, **University of Konstanz**, Konstanz Project: *Prosodic structure at the interface between language and speech* Supervisors: Dr. Tina BÖGEL, Prof. Alice TURK & Jun.-Prof. Diego FRASSINELLI
Oct 2018-Jan 2022	Master of Arts in LINGUISTICS, **University of Konstanz**, Konstanz Program: Germanic Linguistics Master thesis: "Analysis of the alignment differences of L2 German speakers in German pitch accents" (*cum laude*) Supervisors: Prof. Bettina BRAUN, Jun.-Prof. Katharina ZAHNER-RITTER
Jul 2018	Bachelor in GERMAN **Beijing Foreign Studies University**, Beijing Bachelor thesis: "Funktion der Metapher in der Wortschatzerweiterung der deutschen Gegenwartssprache " Supervisor: Dr. Michael PIELENZ
Oct 2016-Aug 2017	Exchange semesters at the **University of Passau**, Passau

LANGUAGE SKILLS

MANDARIN CHINESE:	native
ENGLISH:	proficient
GERMAN:	proficient

TECHNICAL SKILLS

R-Studio, Python, CorpusSearch
Lexical Functional Grammar with XLE, Finite State Morphology (basic knowledge)
Praat, SoSciSurvey, Gorilla, PsychoPy
LaTeX, Microsoft Office

Awards and grants

Dec 2024	A 3-year DFG project with Dr. Tina Bögel, extension for the German side of the DFG-AHRC project "Prosodic structure at the interface between language and speech" (2022-2024)
May 2019	Exemption of the tuition for gifted international students in the Department of Linguistics at the University of Konstanz (3 years with extension)

Working experience

Current	Research assistant in the Department of Linguistics at the University of Konstanz, Konstanz
Jan 2021-Mar 2022	Student assistant at the University of Konstanz, Konstanz (Phonlab and Baby speech lab)
Nov 2020-Sep 2021	Student assistant at the University of Konstanz for Dr. Hannah Booth, Konstanz *Program: Corpus study on case and possession in Middle Low German* Enquiry and analysis of the corpora of Middle Low German with CorpusSearch
May-Dec 2020	Internship in Phonlab: Project 6 (p6) of the research group: *Questions at the Interface* at the University of Konstanz, Konstanz Conducting online-studies, annotation and analysis of the speech data
Oct-Nov 2019	Student assistant at Zukunftskolleg at the University of Konstanz, Konstanz Management and investigation of the databases and literature for the Project "Population Dynamics of Language"
Okt 2017-Apr 2018	Internship at the Goethe-Institut China, Beijing Consulting and management of courses and exams, translation

Teaching

SoSe2024	*The syntax-prosody interface: matches and mismatches*, University of Konstanz (BA-Level, together with Dr. Tina Bögel)
WS2021/22	Tutorials for *Phonetik I*, University of Konstanz (BA-level, seminar taught by Prof. Dr. Bettina Braun)

Institutional & organizational activities

2025	Main organizor of the conference *Konstanz Linguistics Conference* at the University of Konstanz
Jul 2024-	Member of the Speech Prosody Special Interest Group (SProSIG)
Jul 2024-	Student volunteer at ISCA-SAC (ISCA Student Advisory Committee, leader of the website management team since 2025)
Jul 2024-	Committee member of the Awarding Commission *Internationalization* at the University of Konstanz
2024	Co-organization of the conference *Konstanz Linguistics Conference* at the University of Konstanz
May 2024	Administration of the CALD-Server for the Computational Linguistics Lab at the University of Konstanz
Dec 2022-	Committee member of *Doctoral Fund* at the University of Konstanz

Supervision

Student assistants

Mila Freieis	2023/2024, DFG-ARHC project: Prosodic structure at the interface between language and speech

Publications

Journal papers (peer-reviewed)

Bögel, T. & Zhao, T. (2024). From speech signal to syntactic structure: a computational implementation. *Journal of Language Modelling*, 13(1). 1-42.

Booth, H. & Zhao, T.(2023) A broader perspective on "basic" word order: ditransitives in Middle Low German. *Journal of Historical Syntax*, 7(21), 1-63.

Zahner-Ritter, K., Zhao, T., Einfeldt, M. & Braun, B. (2022). How Experience with Tone in the Native Language Affects the L2 Acquisition of Pitch Accents. *Frontiers in Psychology, 13.* 903879-903879.

Conference proceedings (peer-reviewed)

Zhao, T. Language redundancy effects on prosodic prominence and f0 pattern – Disentangling evidence from f0 and duration. To appear in *Proceedings of the 20th Phonetik und Phonologie im deutschsprachigen Raum* (P&P), Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg.

Bögel, T., Freiseis, M., Hill, R., Wambach, d., & Zhao, T. (2024). Language redundancy and acoustic salience: an account in LFG. *Proceedings of the LFG'24 Conference.* Konstanz: PubliKon.

Freiseis, M., Zhao, T. & Bögel, T. (2024). Semantic priming and prosodic structure: At the interface between language redundancy and acoustic salience. *Proceedings of Speech*

Prosody (pp. 1015-1019). Leiden, Netherlands.

Zhao, T., Bögel, T., Turk, A., & Napoleão de Souza, R. (2024). Language redundancy effects on the prosodic word boundary strength in Standard German *Proceedings of Speech Prosody* (pp. 1085–1089). Leiden, Netherlands.

Bögel, T., Hill, R., Hofenbitzer, J. & Zhao, T. (2023). The Phonetics–Phonology–Syntax Interface: A Computational Implementation. *Proceedings of the 20th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences ICPhS 2023* (pp. 1459-1463). Prague, Czech Republic: Guarant International.

Presentations at conferences (peer-reviewed)

Zhao, T. (2024). Language redundancy effects on prosodic prominence and f0 pattern – Disentangling evidence from f0 and duration. Poster presentation at the *20th Phonetik und Phonologie im deutschsprachigen Raum* (P&P), Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg.

Zhao, T., Einfeldt, M., Braun, B. & Zahner-Ritter, K. (2021). Can Chinese learners of German imitate tonal alignment contrasts in nuclear accents? Talk at the *17th Phonetik und Phonologie im deutschsprachigen Raum* (P&P), University of Frankfurt.