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Curriculum Vitae

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EMPLOYMENT

- 2015– Senior Lecturer in Arabic Linguistics
School of Languages, Cultures and Linguistics, SOAS University of London.
- 2014–15 Humboldt Research Fellow
Institut für Anglistik und Amerikanistik, Universität Bamberg.
- 2011–2015 Lecturer in Arabic Linguistics
SOAS University of London.
- 2011 British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow
Department of Linguistics, SOAS University of London.
- 2010 Research Assistant/Associate
Department of Linguistics, University of Cambridge.
- 2009–11 Teaching Fellow (Arabic)
SOAS University of London.

EDUCATION

- 2006–10 Ph.D. in Linguistics
Emmanuel College, University of Cambridge
Dissertation: *The development of negation in Arabic and Afro-Asiatic.*
- 2005–6 M.Phil. in Linguistics
Emmanuel College, University of Cambridge
Dissertation: *Definite descriptions in utterance interpretation.*
- 2001–5 B.A. (Hons) in Arabic
SOAS University of London

FUNDING AND AWARDS

- 2017 Arts and Humanities Research Council ‘Leadership Fellows – Early Career Researchers’ fellowship for project ‘Arabic and contact-induced language change’. (grant no. AH/P014089/1)
- 2014 Humboldt Research Fellowship for postdoctoral researchers for project ‘Noun phrase variation in Maltese and Maltese English’.
- 2010 British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowship award for project ‘The diachrony of nominal determination’.
- 2007 Fieldwork funding from the Council for British Research in the Levant.
- 2006 Full doctoral award from Arts and Humanities Research Council (grant no. 2006/128248).

DOCTORAL SUPERVISION

- 2016– Mohammed Alluhaybi: ‘A typological study of negation in Arabic dialects’.
- 2013–2018 Jade Al-Saraf: ‘A contrastive study of loaned vs. non-loaned lexicon in Iraqi Arabic’.
- 2011–2015 Ghalia Al-Mubarak: ‘An investigation of sociolinguistic variation in al-Aḥsā’ Arabic’.

TEACHING

- 2018– Linguistic Typology, SOAS. Undergraduate and MA lectures.
General Linguistics: Understanding Language, SOAS. Undergraduate lectures.
- 2012– Introduction to Arabic Dialects, SOAS. Undergraduate lectures.
- 2011– Introduction to Arabic Linguistics, SOAS. Undergraduate lectures.
Historical Linguistics, SOAS. Undergraduate and MA lectures and tutorials.
- 2010–16 Dynamic Syntax, SOAS. Undergraduate and MA lectures and tutorials.
- 2009– Arabic 1 and 2, SOAS. Undergraduate lectures and tutorials.
- 2008–10 Historical Linguistics, University of Cambridge. Paper Li7 ‘Historical linguistics’.
- 2006–9 Arabic Language, University of Cambridge. Papers MES1 and MES2 ‘Arabic Year 1’.
- 2008–9 German linguistics, University of Cambridge. Paper Ge1 ‘Structures and Varieties of German’.
- 2006–8 General linguistics, University of Cambridge. Paper Li1 ‘General Linguistics’.

PUBLICATIONS

Books and edited volumes

- Forthcoming *The history of negation in the languages of Europe and the Mediterranean*, vol. 2, co-authored with David Willis and Anne Breitbarth. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Arabic and contact-induced change: A handbook*, co-edited with Stefano Manfredi. Berlin: Language Science Press.
- Authored chapters:
- ‘Contact and the expression of negation’
 - ‘Maltese’ (with Slavomír Čéplö)
 - ‘Introduction’ (with Stefano Manfredi)
- 2018 ‘The noun phrase in Maltese and Maltese English’: a special issue of *Sprachtypologie und Universalienforschung* 71.2, edited with Manfred Krug. (158pp.)
- 2013 *The history of negation in the languages of Europe and the Mediterranean*, vol. 1, co-edited with David Willis and Anne Breitbarth. Oxford: Oxford University Press. (533pp.)
- 2010 *Continuity and change in grammar*, co-edited with Anne Breitbarth, Sheila Watts and David Willis. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. (359pp.)

Journal articles

- 2018 ‘Definite article (omission) in British, Maltese, and other Englishes’ (with Manfred Krug). In Krug, Manfred and Christopher Lucas (eds.) ‘The noun phrase in Maltese and Maltese English’: a special issue of *Sprachtypologie und Universalienforschung* 71.2: 261–303. DOI: 10.1515/stuf-2018-0012. (44pp.)
- ‘On Wilmsen on the development of postverbal negation in dialectal Arabic’. *Zeitschrift für arabische Linguistik* 67: 44–70. DOI: 10.13173/zeitarabling.67.0044. (27pp.)
- 2012 ‘Never again: the regrammaticalization of *never* as a marker of negation in English’ (with David Willis). *English Language and Linguistics* 16.3: 459–485. DOI: 10.1017/S1360674312000196. (27pp.)
- ‘Contact-induced grammatical change: towards an explicit account’. *Diachronica* 29.3: 275–300. DOI: 10.1075/dia.29.3.01luc. (26pp.)
- 2010 ‘Negative -š in Palestinian (and Cairene) Arabic: present and possible past’. *Brill’s Annual of Afro-Asiatic Languages and Linguistics* 2: 165–201. DOI: 10.1163/187666310X12688137960623. (37pp.)

‘Contact as catalyst: the case for Coptic influence in the development of Arabic negation’ (with Elliott Lash). *Journal of Linguistics* 46.2: 379–413. DOI: 10.1017/S0022226709990235. (35pp.)

2007 ‘Jespersen’s Cycle in Arabic and Berber’, *Transactions of the Philological Society* 105.3: 398–431. DOI: 10.1111/j.1467-968X.2007.00189.x. (34pp.)

Articles in edited volumes

2018 ‘Conditions on /t/-insertion in Maltese numeral phrases: a reassessment’ (with Michael Spagnol). In Gatt, Albert and Patrizia Paggio (eds.) *The languages of Malta*. Berlin: Language Science Press, 117–141. (25pp.)

2016 ‘One of those constructions that really needs a proper analysis’ (with Doug Arnold). In Arnold, Doug, Miriam Butt, Berthold Crysmann, Tracy Holloway King, and Stefan Müller (eds.) *Proceedings of the Joint 2016 Conference on Head-driven Phrase Structure Grammar and Lexical Functional Grammar*. Stanford: CSLI Publications, 43–63. (21pp.)

2016 ‘Connecting /t/ in Maltese numerals’ (with Michael Spagnol). In Puech, Gilbert and Benjamin Saade (eds.) *Shifts and patterns in Maltese*. Berlin: DeGruyter, 269–290. (32pp.)

2015 ‘Contact-induced language change’. In Bower, Claire and Bethwyn Evans (eds.) *The Routledge handbook of historical linguistics*. London: Routledge, 519–536. (18pp.)

2014 ‘Indefinites and negative concord in Maltese: towards a dynamic account’. In Borg, Albert, Sandro Caruana and Alexandra Vella (eds.) *Perspectives on Maltese linguistics*. Berlin: Akademie Verlag, 225–248. (24pp.)

2013 ‘The development of negation in Afro-Asiatic languages’. In Breitbarth, Anne, Christopher Lucas and David Willis (eds.) *The history of negation in the languages of Europe and the Mediterranean*, vol. 1. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 399–452. (54pp.)

‘Comparing diachronies of negation’ (with David Willis and Anne Breitbarth). In Breitbarth, Anne, Christopher Lucas and David Willis (eds.) *The history of negation in the languages of Europe and the Mediterranean*, vol. 1. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1–50. (50pp.)

‘Incipient Jespersen’s Cycle: the (non-)grammaticalization of new negative markers’ (with Anne Breitbarth and David Willis). In Simon, Horst and Georg Kaiser (eds.) *Sprachwandelvergleich – Comparing diachronies*. Berlin: De Gruyter, 141–162. (22pp.)

- 2011 ‘Definiteness, procedural encoding and the limits of accommodation’. In Escandell-Vidall, Victoria, Manuel Leonetti and Aoife Ahern (eds.) *Procedural Meaning: Problems and Perspectives* [Current Research in Semantics and Pragmatics]. Bingley, UK: Emerald Publishing, 157–182. (26pp.)
- ‘Form-function mismatches in (formally) definite English noun phrases: towards a diachronic account’. In Sleeman, Petra and Harry Perridon (eds.) *The noun phrase in Romance and Germanic. Structure, variation and change*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins, 159–174. (16pp.)

ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE

Administration

- 2018– Chair of working groups on BA and MA linguistics curriculum reform, SOAS.
- 2017– External examiner for BA English Language and Linguistics, University of Essex.
- 2015– Member, Student Experience Committee, SOAS.
- 2014, 2015, Hiring committee member for Departments of Linguistics & Languages and Cultures of
2017 the Near and Middle East, SOAS.
- 2012– Convenor and admissions tutor for BA Linguistics, SOAS.
- 2010 Undergraduate admissions interviewer for linguistics, Emmanuel College, Cambridge.

PhD examination

- 2018 Khawla Ghadgoud: ‘Negation Patterns in Libyan Arabic and Modern Arabic Varieties’. University of Manchester (external examiner).
- 2017 Ourooba Shetewi: ‘Acquisition of Sociolinguistic Variation in a Dialect Contact Situation: The Case of Palestinian Children and Adolescents in Syria’. Newcastle University (external examiner).
- 2016 Swulam Alataiy: ‘The Syntax of Left Periphery in Arabic: A Minimalist Analysis’. University of York (external examiner).
- Abdel Rahman Altakhaineh: ‘Compounding in Modern Standard Arabic, Jordanian Arabic and English’. Newcastle University (external examiner).
- 2015 Mansour Alotaibi: ‘Wh-questions in Modern Standard Arabic: Minimalist and HPSG approaches’, University of Essex (external examiner).
- Bassil Al Mashaqba: ‘The Phonology and Morphology of Wadi Ramm Arabic’, University of Salford (external examiner).
- 2014 Abdulrahman Althawab: ‘Modality in English and Arabic: description and analysis’, University of Essex (external examiner).

2013 Mohamed Krer: ‘Negation in Standard and Libyan Arabic: an HPSG approach’, University of Essex (external examiner).

Peer review

Journals: *Brill’s Journal of Afroasiatic Languages and Linguistics*, *BSOAS*, *Journal of English Linguistics*, *Journal of Historical Linguistics*, *Journal of Historical Syntax*, *Journal of Linguistics*, *Journal of Pragmatics*, *Language*, *Language Documentation and Description*, *Language, Lingua*, *Linguistics*, *Transactions of the Philological Society*.

Publishers: Benjamins, de Gruyter Mouton, Edinburgh University Press, Language Science Press, Oxford University Press, Routledge.

Funders: KU Leuven, Leverhulme Trust, Endangered Languages Documentation Programme, FWO.

Membership

2016– Editorial board member for EL Publishing.

2011– Editorial board member for *Journal of Historical Syntax*.

2008–2010 Elected member of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain student committee.

2006–8 Treasurer of the Cambridge University Linguistic Society.

2006– Member of the Linguistics Association of Great Britain.
Member of the Philological Society.

Activity

2018 Organiser of *Arabic Linguistics Forum conference*, SOAS University of London.

2017 Organiser of *SOAS Roundtable on Language Analysis and Asylum*, SOAS University of London.

Co-organiser of workshop at *International Conference on Historical Linguistics XIII*, San Antonio, Texas, ‘Arabic and contact-induced change’.

2016 Co-organiser of *Language Documentation and Linguistics Theory 5*, SOAS University of London.

2013 Co-organiser of *Linguistics Association of Great Britain Annual Meeting*, SOAS University of London.

2008 Co-organiser of conference *Continuity and Change in Grammar*, University of Cambridge.

LANGUAGES

Native	English
Near-native	German, Arabic
Advanced	French, Italian, Maltese