

Siri Gjersøe – Ph.D in Linguistics

Curriculum Vitae



PERSONAL DATA

Date of Birth: 27.09.1984

Nationality: Norwegian

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RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Emagine GmbH, Berlin

Computer Linguist

Since 10.2018

- Responsible for developing the Norwegian NLU model for an Infotainment system in a Volkswagen project. Tasks involved:
 - Linguistic rule writing of grammars and corpus annotation
 - Testing and performing error analyses
 - Providing feedback on the quality of data collections and corpora annotation
 - Working with Regex, Python scripts, version-control, and Bash

Leipzig University, department of Linguistics

PhD Candidate

04.2015–04.2018

Degree *Dr. Phil* obtained in 2020 with Summa cum laude

Dissertation: ‘Tonal Interactions in Nuer Nominal Inflection’

- Research in phonetics, phonology, and syntax
- Teaching Bachelor students
- Fieldwork and research stays abroad
- Participation and organization of workshops and conferences

Leibniz-Centre General Linguistics, Berlin

Student Assistant in research project on Interfaces

07.2012–03.2015

Duties included work Praat annotation and analyses, corpora searches, literature procurement, document formatting, and workshop organization.

Humboldt University of Berlin

Student Assistant in Research Project on Focus (Güldemann)

04.2013–03.2014

Duties included research on Ekoti and Swahili.

EDUCATION

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Master of Linguistics, Specialization: Theoretical Linguistics

04.2012–03.2015

Final Grade: 1.5 (excellent)

MA Thesis: ‘Downstep and Phonological Phrases in Kikuyu’.

University of Oslo

2nd Bachelor Specialization; German Language (90 ECTS)

08.2010–06.2011

Bachelor of European Languages: French and Spanish

08.2007–06.2010

LANGUAGES

Native:

Norwegian

Fluent:

English, German and Italian

Intermediate:

French and Spanish

Basic:

Russian

Linguistic Knowledge of:

Nuer, Kikuyu, Limbum, Xitsonga, Bàsàá, Ekoti, Swahili.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Regex, Python, RStudio, Version control (GIT, SVN), \LaTeX , Praat

ADDITIONAL TRAINING	Django Girls Workshop. How to create a website using Python and Django.	02.2018
	Aix Summer School on Prosody. Methods in Prosody and Intonation Research	09.2016
	Winter school: Language Documentation & Fieldwork: Hebrew University of Jerusalem	02.2016
	Eastern Generative Grammar Summer School. Masaryk University Brno	08.2015
TEACHING AND ADVISING	Winter term 2017/18: Advisor, Bachelor thesis: Lisa Göbner. Leipzig University. ‘Pitch Accent in Norwegian’.	
	Summer term 2017: Instructor, Block seminar on tone and fieldwork. Linguistic department, Addis Abeba University.	
	Summer term 2016: Instructor, Seminar in linguistic methods (with Ludger Paschen). <i>Methoden der Phonetikanalyse</i> . Linguistic department, Leipzig University.	
SELECTED ACADEMIC PAPERS	2018. [with Jude N. Awasom and Ludger Paschen] <i>Hybrid falling tones in Limbum</i> . Proceedings of ACAL 47.	
	2016. <i>Cyclic Optimization of Floating L Tones in Kikuyu</i> . Proceedings of NELS 46.	
	2016. <i>Sharing properties of pseudo-coordination in Norwegian</i> . In K. Barnickel, M. Guzmán Naranjo, J. Hein, S. Korsah, A. Murphy, L. Paschen, Z. Puškar & J. Zaleska (eds.). Replicative Processes in Grammar (Linguistische Arbeitsberichte 93). 351-378.	
	2014. [with Hamlaoui, Fatima and Emmanuel-Moselly Makasso] <i>High tone spreading and phonological phrases in Bâsàa</i> . In <i>TAL-2014</i> , pp. 27-31.	
	2014. [with Lee, Seunghun J.] <i>Segmental effects on tone: an acoustic analysis of tonal polarity in Xitsonga</i> . In <i>TAL-2014</i> , pp. 79-82.	
FIELDWORK	Eastern Jikany dialect of Nuer in Addis Abeba:	05–07.2017
	Acoustic experiments and collaborations with native speakers.	
	Kikuyu in Berlin:	01–12.2014
	Audio and text elicitations with two key informants	
RESEARCH STAYS	Visiting lecturer at department of Linguistics, Addis Abeba University.	05–07.2017
	Visiting postgrad at School of Philosophy, Psychology and Language Sciences, University of Edinburgh.	11–12.2016
ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE	Member of the organizing committee: ConSOLE XXV, Leipzig University	4-6.01.2017
	Head of the organizing committee: Advancing Gender Equality in Scientific Research, Leipzig University.	4-5.10.2016
	PhD student representative for Research Training Programme ‘Interaction of Grammatical Building Blocks’ at Leipzig University.	04-11.2015
	Member of Student Committee, Faculty of Humanities, University of Oslo.	01-06.2011
ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE	Nursing Home, Oslo and Frogn, Norway	07.2003–08.2011
	<i>Senior care assistant</i> : Assisting dementia patients.	
	Personal assistant for a patient with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis.	
	Kodak AS, Oppegård, Norway	04–07.2004
	<i>Photo developer</i> : Development and color correction of photos.	