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Research Interests

Anthropology of Migration and Displacement, Linguistic Anthropology, Language Policy, Asylum and Immigration Policy, Anthropology of Europe, Nationalism, Labor, Bureaucracy, Hope, Boredom, Waiting, Time and Migration, Temporal Mobility, Uncertainty.

Appointments

2023 -	Assistant Professor	Department of Anthropology Department of German, Nordic, and Slavic+	University of Wisconsin-Madison
2022-2023	ESRC Postdoctoral Research Fellow	Faculty of Education and Society (IOE)	University College London

Education

2021	DPhil (no corrections)	Anthropology	University of Oxford
2016	MSc	Social and Cultural Anthropology	University of Oxford
2015	MPhil	General Linguistics and Comparative Philology	University of Oxford
2013	BA	English Philology and Journalism	Free University Berlin

Affiliations & Research Positions

2023-2025	Research Affiliate, School of Anthropology and Museum of Ethnography	University of Oxford
2021-2023	Postdoctoral Research Affiliate, School of Anthropology and Museum of Ethnography	University of Oxford
2021-present	Member of Migration Network (MigNet), Research Centre for Social Sciences	University of York
2019	Visiting Student Research Collaborator, Department of Anthropology	Princeton University
2016-present	Affiliated Scholar, Anthropology and Language Committee	Royal Anthropological Institute

Research Awards, Grants & Scholarships

2022	<i>David Parkin Prize in Ethnographic Materials</i> , University of Oxford.
2020	<i>School of Anthropology & Museum of Ethnography Writing Grant</i> , University of Oxford. Merit-based, competitive writing-up bursary for final-year PhD students in Anthropology.
2019	<i>School of Anthropology & Museum of Ethnography Fieldwork Skills & Conference Travel Award</i> , University of Oxford. Support for research visit to, and invited talk at, Macquarie University, Sydney.
2018	<i>Green Templeton College Learning Grant</i> , University of Oxford. Support for talk at conference: "Language and Borders: Rethinking Mobility, Migration and Space," University of Bristol.
2017	<i>School of Anthropology & Museum of Ethnography Prize Scholarship</i> , University of Oxford. Academic merit award.
2017	<i>John Fell OUP Research Fund</i> , with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska, R. Hall. Support for convening Language, Mobility and Belonging Conference, Somerville College, University of Oxford.
2017	<i>Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)</i> , with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska, R. Hall. Support for convening Language, Mobility and Belonging Conference, Somerville College, University of Oxford.
2017	<i>Oxford University Press conference grant</i> , with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska, R. Hall. Support for convening Language, Mobility and Belonging Conference, Somerville College, University of Oxford.
2017	<i>Multilingual Matters small supporting grant</i> , with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska, R. Hall. Support for convening Language, Mobility and Belonging Conference, Somerville College, University of Oxford.
2016	<i>Wolfson Postgraduate Scholarship for the Humanities</i> for a PhD position in Anthropology at University College London. Academic merit award, full fees and maintenance costs for four years (<i>declined</i>).
2016	<i>John Fell OUP Research Fund</i> , with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska. Support for Language, Indexicality and Belonging Conference, Somerville College, University of Oxford.
2016	<i>Faculty of Linguistics, Philology & Phonetics Grant</i> , with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska. Support for Language, Indexicality and Belonging Conference, Somerville College, University of Oxford.
2016	<i>Institute of Social & Cultural Anthropology</i> , with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska. Support for Language, Indexicality and Belonging Conference, Somerville College, University of Oxford.
2015	<i>Czapliska Fund Grant</i> , Somerville College Oxford, with K. Kozminska, N. Hawker. Support for Language, Indexicality and Belonging Conference, Somerville College, University of Oxford.

Publications

As Author

- Invited “The German You Need to Know: Language Learning and Temporal Uncertainty Among Newcomers in Berlin”. Special Issue on Language and the temporalities of forced migration. *Journal of Refugee Studies*.
- 2019 “Stancetaking and Local Identity Construction among German-American Bilinguals in Berlin,” in B. Schneider, T. Heyd, F. von Mengden (eds.), *The Sociolinguistic Economy of Berlin: Cosmopolitan Perspectives on Language, Diversity and Social Space*, DeGruyter.
- 2019 “Book Note: L. Lim, C. Stroud, L. Wee (eds.), *The multilingual citizen: Towards a politics of language for agency and change*. Bristol: Multilingual Matters, 2018. Pp. 320,” *Language in Society* 48(2): 326-328.
- 2019 “Language, Mobility and Belonging,” *Journal of Language and Communication* 68: 1-5 (with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska, R. Hall).
- 2017 “Introduction to the Special Issue on Language, Indexicality and Belonging,” *Journal of the Anthropological Society of Oxford* 9 (1): 1-7 (with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska).

As Editor

- Invited Special Issue on Language and the temporalities of forced migration. *Journal of Refugee Studies*. (with B. Nichols, A. Olszewska, L. Omar).
- 2019 Special Issue on Language, Mobility and Belonging. *Journal of Language and Communication* 68. (with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska, R. Hall).
- 2017 Special Issue on Language, Indexicality and Belonging. *Journal of the Anthropological Society of Oxford* 9 (1). (with N. Hawker, K. Kozminska).

Media & Policy

- 2021 “Rational Imagining: Building the Near Future Internet with Policy Technology & Convivial Labour”. *Horizon 2020 Report for the European Commission. EdgeRyders, NGI Forward* (D2.5 The Collective Intelligence NGI. WP2: Collective Intelligence). With A. Hassoun and K. Sim.
- 2021 “Uncertainties Compound: How the Covid-19 pandemic exacerbates the pressures of linguistic integration facing refugees in Germany”. *B/Orders in Motion Corona Blog. European University Viadrina Frankfurt*. 22.07.2021. 1-3 (Invited).
- “Ethnography Report 4: Resilience, Welfare and Sustainability”. *EdgeRyders NGI Forward*. 21.06.2021. 1-6.
- “Ethnography Report 3: The Future of Work”. *EdgeRyders NGI Forward*. 07.05.2021. 1-4.
- “Ethnography Report 2: The Future of Work”. *EdgeRyders NGI Forward*. 06.04.2021. 1-6.
- “Monthly Ethnography Report 1: The Future of the Internet and All it Encompasses”. *EdgeRyders: NGI Forward*. 27.02.2021. 1-11.
- 2020 “‘Just Be Patient’? How Refugees and Migrants Learn German During Covid-19”. *Diggit Magazine*. 19.06.2020. 1-12. (Invited)
- “Germany Introduces Corona Virus Tracing-App: Why aren’t people more sceptical?”. *EdgeRyders NGI Forward*. 18.06.2020. 1-3.
- “The Algorithmic is Political: An Interview with Dr Annette Zimmermann”. *EdgeRyders NGI Forward*. 06.05.2020. 1-6.
- “Does Alexa have Linguistic Authority? An Interview with Dr Britta Schneider”. *EdgeRyders NGI Forward*. 16.04.2020. 1-6.

Articles in Preparation

- Invited “Book Review: M.K. Janega and A. Bandak (eds.), *Ethnographies of Waiting: Doubt, Hope and Uncertainty*. London: Bloomsbury. 2018. Pp. 232,” *Journal of the Anthropological Society Oxford*.
- Invited “The Other Side of Adventure: Boredom, Loneliness & Disengagement in Fieldwork”. *The New Ethnographer*. With T. Gigerenzer.
- In prep. “Where does integration take place?: migration and belonging in the UK and Germany”. With K. Khan.
- In prep. “‘If you pull too hard on the cord, it comes loose’: boredom and temporal uncertainty among newcomers in Germany”.

Selected Talks & Presentations

Invited

09. 2023 Contesting 21st Century B/Orders, European University Viadrina, Frankfurt.
Talk: *Linguistic (In)securities: How Germany’s Integration Policies Delay Newcomers’ Socioeconomic Mobility*
- 06.2023 Displacing Bureaucracies/Bureaucracies of Displacement Workshop, University College London.
Talk: *Stuck in the Paper Mill: On the Temporal Consequences of Germany’s Professional Recognition Procedures for Refugees and Migrants*
- 06.2023 Revisiting the Intersection of Language, Migration and Economy, Institute for Advanced Study and University of Chicago Center, Paris.
Talk: *Linguistic (In)securities: How Germany’s Integration Policies Delay Newcomers’ Socioeconomic Mobility*
- 11.2022 Postmigrant? East Migrant?: Chances, Limitations, and Current Debates and Concepts on East German Otherness, Center for German and European Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Talk: *Migrant Integration Policy in Contemporary Germany: Language as Unifying Cultural Practice and the Myth of the National Community*
- 11.2021 MiTSprache – Migration, Teilhabe, Sprache, InZentIM, University of Essen-Duisburg. [Invited talk and workshop]
Talk: *the lingua-temporal dimensions of migration, displacement and policy-in-practice*
- 10.2021 Bristol Anthropology and Archaeology Research Seminars (BAARS), University of Bristol.
Talk: *if you pull too hard on the cord, it comes loose: language, boredom and temporal uncertainty among newcomers in Germany*
- 6.2021 Oxford Digital Ethnography Groups, University of Oxford.
Talk: *Using Digital Ethnography to Inform Policy*. With Amelia Hassoun and Kate J. Sim

- 6.2021 B/orders in Motion Research Center, European University Viadrina, Frankfurt.
Talk: *if you pull too hard on the cord, it comes loose: boredom and temporal uncertainty among newcomers in Germany*
- 08.2019 Lectures on Linguistic Diversity Series, Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia
Paper: *Speaking Germanness: Ideologies of linguistic belonging and translanguaging practices on the margins*

Peer-reviewed Conferences

- 06.2022 IMISCOE 19th Annual conference: Migration and Time: Temporalities of Mobility, Governance, and Resistance
Paper: 'Do you want to work in Germany?' Language, Progress, and Futures Delayed Among Refugees and Migrants in Berlin
- 11.2021 American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland.
Paper: *Germany means waiting, waiting, waiting: time and boredom in Berlin's migrant integration classrooms.*
- 6.2021 Approaches to Language, Migration and Identity Conference, University of Sussex.
Paper: *Learning to Integrate, Waiting to Belong: Language, Time and Uncertainty Among Newcomers in Germany*
- 5.2021 Language and Migration: Experience and Memory, Migration Lab, Princeton University and The Study Group on Language and the United Nations
Paper: *'The German You Need to Know: Language Learning and Temporal Uncertainty Among Newcomers in Berlin'*
- 3.2021 American Association of Applied Linguistics (AAAL) Annual Conference.
Paper: *'Scheibenkleister!': Language Play and Disciplinary and Rebellious Humor in Berlin's Migrant Integration Classrooms.*
- 10.2018 ASA18: Sociality, matter, and the imagination: re-creating Anthropology, University of Oxford.
Paper: *Teaching Germanness: Migrant Identity and Linguistic Integration in Berlin, Germany.*
- 3.2018 Language and Borders: Rethinking Mobility, Migration and Space, University of Bristol.
Paper: *Teaching Germanness: Investigating the Relationship between Language and Belonging in a Berlin Integration Course.*
- 2.2018 Forschungskolloquium (research colloquium), Free University Berlin.
Paper: *Teaching Germanness: Investigating the Relationship between Language and Belonging in a Berlin Integration Course*

Teaching

- 2021-23 Graduate Seminar on Language-Focused Methods in Anthropology, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, *University of Oxford.*
- 10.2022 Invited guest lecture on Language and Migration, undergraduate course, "Language and Globalization". Department of English Language and Applied Linguistics, University of Reading.
- 10.2022 Invited guest lecture on Language and Migration, upper level undergraduate and graduate course "Migrants and Language Education". Italian Department, Georgetown University.
- 2021-22 Tutor in Anthropology (FHS Paper 2: Cultural Representations, Beliefs and Practices) for St John's College (Trinity Term 2021) & University College, *University of Oxford* (Michaelmas and Hilary Term 2021/2022), *University of Oxford.*
- 12.2021 Invited guest lecture in Linguistic Anthropology, undergraduate unit "Peoples, Culture and Language (PCL)", Department of Anthropology and Archaeology, *University of Bristol.*
- 2019 Supervisor for extended essay, St Catherine's College, *University of Oxford.*
Undergraduate essay on language and the body (BA Human Sciences)
- 2017-18 Visiting Lecturer in Linguistics, *Free University Berlin*, for the Undergraduate Course "Language Change".
- 2016 Tutor in Sociolinguistics (Paper XII) for St Catherine's College, Jesus College, Corpus Christi College, *University of Oxford.*
- 2016 Tutor in Sociolinguistics (Paper XII) for Jesus College, Corpus Christi College, *University of Oxford.*

Policy Research & Analysis

- 2021 Research analyst on Germany's migration system for *Freedom House*. Project: *Shortening the Long Arm of Autocrats: Building Responses to Transnational Repression.* (July-December 2021).
- 2019-21 Digital research ethnographer for EdgeRyders & European Commission *Horizon 2020 project* on *Next Generation Internet (NGI) Forward.*