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## Areas of Specialization

syntax, morphology, Dinka, Germanic

## Academic Positions

2015– Lecturer in Linguistics, Queen Mary University of London

## Education

2015 PhD in Linguistics, MIT Department of Linguistics & Philosophy  
Dissertation: *A uniform syntax for phrasal movement: A Dinka Bor case study*

2010 MA in Linguistics, Utrecht University (cum laude)

2008 BA in English, Utrecht University (cum laude)  
Cognitive Neuroscience (minor), Honours (minor)

## Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

### *External Support*

2014–16 National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant  
*Case Marking and the Left Periphery in Dinka*, BCS-1440427.  
(Co-PI with David Pesetsky and Norvin Richards)

### *Internal Support*

2013 2013–2014 Noam Chomsky Fellowship, MIT Linguistics.

2013 MIT Ken Hale Fund support for *Partial wh-movement in Dinka Nyarweng*.

2012 MIT Ken Hale Fund support for *Describing the syntax of Dinka Nyarweng*.

2008 Erik Koster Prize, Best BA Thesis (English), Utrecht University.

## Publications

### *Journal Articles*

- 2015 Two components of long-distance extraction: Successive cyclicity in Dinka. *Linguistic Inquiry* 46(1):113–155. With Norvin Richards.
- 2015 Aspect splits without ergativity: Agreement asymmetries in Neo-Aramaic. *Natural Language & Linguistic Theory* 33(2):659–702. With Laura Kalin.
- 2013 Visser’s Generalization: The syntax of control and the passive. *Linguistic Inquiry* 44(1):168–178.
- Submitted Pronoun copying in Dinka and the Copy Theory of Movement.

### *Book Chapters*

- To appear Ergativity and Austronesian-type voice systems. In *Oxford Handbook of Ergativity*, ed. by Jessica Coon, Diane Massam, and Lisa Travis. Oxford University Press. With Michael Y. Erlewine and Theodore Levin.
- In prep. V2 in Dinka. In *Rethinking V2*. Oxford University Press.

### *Proceedings Papers*

- 2016 The left periphery in Dinka: Intermediate movement is regular movement. *Proceedings of WCCFL* 32.
- 2015 What makes a voice system? On the relationship between voice marking and case. *Proceedings of AFLA* 21. With Michael Y. Erlewine and Theodore Levin.
- 2015 Morphology in syntax: Person-driven auxiliary selection in Upper Southern Italian. *Proceedings of NELS* 44. With Sam Steddy.
- 2014 Two components of long-distance extraction: Evidence from Dinka. *Proceedings of NELS* 43. With Norvin Richards.
- 2014 The syntax of nominal concord: What *ezafe* in Zazaki shows us. *Proceedings of NELS* 43. With Maziar Toosarvandani.
- 2012 A novel aspect split in Senaya. *Proceedings of CLS* 48. With Laura Kalin.
- 2012 Aspect-based agreement reversal in Neo-Aramaic. *Proceedings of WCCFL* 30, 184–194. With Laura Kalin.
- 2012 On the syntactic reification of implicit subjects. *Coyote Working Papers*, poster proceedings of WCCFL 29.

### *Editing*

- 2012 *Chomsky’s Linguistics*. Cambridge, MA: MITWPL. With Peter Graff.

## Talks

### *Invited Talks*

- 2016 Eliminating A/ $\bar{A}$ -positions. National University of Singapore, August 31.
- 2015 Eliminating A/ $\bar{A}$ -positions. University of Cambridge, November 26.
- 2015  $\varphi$ -agreement in Dinka. UCSC, January 7.
- 2014 On the syntax of long-distance extraction:  $\varphi$ -agreement and  $\bar{A}$ -movement in Dinka. Maryland, March 3.
- 2010 Revising Visser's Generalization. CUNY, November 9.

### *Conference Presentations*

- 2016 Phase impenetrability and resumption in Dinka. NELS 47, UMass Amherst.
- 2016 Is there Condition C reconstruction? Poster at NELS 47, UMass Amherst. With David Adger, Alex Drummond, and David Hall.
- 2016 Parasitic gaps, depictives, and the A/ $\bar{A}$ -distinction. Poster at GLOW 37, Göttingen.
- 2015 Pronoun copying and the Copy Theory of Movement. LAGB 2015, UCL.
- 2015 On the realization of intermediate copies: Pronoun copying at the phase edge. WCCFL 33, Simon Fraser University.
- 2015 The A/ $\bar{A}$ -distinction in Dinka. LSA 2015, Portland.
- 2014 What makes a voice system? On the relationship between voice marking and case. AFLA 21, University of Hawai'i. With Michael Y. Erlewine and Theodore Levin.
- 2014 On the relation between C and T,  $\bar{A}$ -movement, and "marked nominative" in Dinka. GLOW 37, CRISSP.
- 2014 The left periphery in Dinka: Intermediate movement is regular movement. WCCFL 32, USC.
- 2013 A DM view of person-driven auxiliary selection in Upper-Southern Italian. NELS 44, UConn. With Sam Steddy.
- 2013 Dinka and the architecture of long-distance extraction. GLOW 36, Lund University. With Norvin Richards.
- 2013 Directionality and intervention in nominal concord: Evidence from Zazaki *ezafe*. Poster at GLOW 36, Lund University. With Maziar Toosarvandani.
- 2013 Dinka and the syntax of successive-cyclic movement. ACAL 44, Georgetown University. With Norvin Richards.
- 2012 Two components of long-distance extraction: Evidence from Dinka. NELS 43, CUNY. With Norvin Richards.
- 2012 Directionality and intervention in nominal concord: Evidence from Zazaki *ezafe*. Poster at NELS 43, CUNY. With Maziar Toosarvandani.

- 2012 A novel aspect split in Senaya. CLS 48, University of Chicago.  
With Laura Kalin.
- 2012 Aspect-based agreement reversal in Neo-Aramaic. WCCFL 30, UC Santa Cruz. With Laura Kalin.
- 2012 A novel aspect split in Senaya. Poster at GLOW 35, University of Potsdam.  
With Laura Kalin.
- 2011 Visser's Generalization: A window into the syntax of control.  
Poster at WCCFL 29, University of Arizona.

## Teaching

### *Courses*

- 2016 LIN6201 *Syntactic Theory* (undergraduate). Queen Mary University of London.
- 2016 LIN507 *Linguistic Typology and Grammatical Theory* (undergraduate). Queen Mary University of London.
- 2016 LIN7007 *From Morpheme to Meaning* (MA). Queen Mary University of London.
- 2016 LIN037 *Explaining Grammatical Structure* (undergraduate). Queen Mary University of London.
- 2015 LIN507 *Linguistic Typology and Grammatical Theory* (undergraduate). Queen Mary University of London.
- 2014 *Introduction to Linguistics*. Spring 2014 MIT High School Studies Program. 7-week course for high school students.
- 2013 *How English Works: Introduction to Syntax*. Summer 2013 MIT High School Studies Program. 7-week course for high school students.
- 2013 *Introduction to Linguistics*. Spring 2013 MIT High School Studies Program. 7-week course for high school students.

### *Education*

- 2013 Graduate Teaching Certificate, MIT Teaching and Learning Laboratory. 8-day course on teaching at a college level.

## Advising

### *PhD students*

Mohammad Al-Hailawany (2nd supervisor)  
Aleksandr Kalinin (2nd supervisor)

## Service

### *Editing*

2015– Editor, LI Squibs & Discussion

### *Manuscript Review*

Reviewer for *Blackwell Companion to Syntax*, *Journal of Comparative Germanic Linguistics*, *Journal of Linguistics*, *Lingua*, *Linguistic Inquiry*, *Natural Language & Linguistic Theory*, *Syntax*.

### *Abstract Review*

Reviewer for FASL 20 (MIT), FASAL 2 (MIT), Japanese/Korean Linguistics 23 (MIT), NELS 46 (Concordia), GLOW 37 (Göttingen), NELS 47 (UMass).

### *Other Service*

2014 NELS 45 Organizing Committee.  
2013–2014 Student representative, MIT Linguistics.  
2011–2012 Syntax Square organizer, MIT Linguistics.  
2011–2013 Manager of MIT Working Papers in Linguistics.

## Languages

Fluent: Dutch (native), English  
Intermediate: French, German  
Beginner: Dinka