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CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant professor (tenure-track) Department of Linguistics University of Rochester	07/2019-present
Assistant professor (non-tenure) Department of Linguistics University of Rochester	07/2016-06/2019
Senior lecturer Department of Linguistics, University of Rochester	07/2015-06/2016
Lecturer Department of Linguistics, University of Rochester	10/2014-06/2015

EDUCATION

PhD in African Linguistics (<i>magna cum laude</i>) Department of Asian and African Studies Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany Dissertation title: <i>A Grammar of Gyeli</i> Dissertation Co-Advisors: Tom Güldemann and Maarten Mous	3/2010-12/2015
Visiting Scholar Department of Linguistics, University of California, Berkeley Advisor: Larry Hyman	8/2010-4/2011
Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute, UC Berkeley	7/2009-8/2009
M.A. in African Studies, German Linguistics, and French Institute for Asian and African Studies, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany Thesis: <i>The Ikaan numeral system</i> (Published as a monograph; see Publications)	4/2006-2/2010
Erasmus Exchange Scholar Department of General Linguistics and French, Université de Provence, France	9/2004-6/2005
B.A. in General Linguistics and French University of Bielefeld, Germany Thesis: <i>Provençal: Prestige of an endangered language in Europe</i>	10/2002-3/2006

- AWARDS
- Pāṇini Award of the Association for Linguistic Typology** 2019
(competition across grammars submitted as dissertations). Awarded at the 13th meeting of ALT, Pavia, Italy, Sept. 6, 2019.
- Best Talk Award** 2008
Students Linguistic Conference (StuTS), Amsterdam, The Netherlands, May 2008
- GRANTS
- NSF BCS-1535846: Causality Across Languages** 8/2015-current
Research grant
Role: Collaborator
PI: Prof. Jürgen Bohnemeyer, SUNY Buffalo
- Volkswagen Foundation DoBeS #87014: A Documentation of Ngolo Gyeli** 3/2013-8/2014
Disseration Completion Grant
Role: Co-PI
PI: Tom Güldemann, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Awarded funding to complete final phase of PhD (78,800 euros).
- Volkswagen Foundation DoBeS #84353: Documentation of Bakola/Bagyeli of Cameroon** 3/2010-2/2013
Research Grant
Role: Collaborator
PI: Maarten Mous, Leiden University, The Netherlands
- Volkswagen Foundation** 6/2010
Travel Grant
Grant for participation at the DoBeS/MPI workshop on “Hunter-gatherers and semantic categories”, Neuwied, Germany.
- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)** 8-9/2008
Travel and Study Grant
Grant for participation in intensive Hausa course at the College of Education, Azare, Nigeria.
- Endangered Languages Documentation Programme (ELDP)** 1-3/2008
Research Grant
Role: Co-PI
PI: Sophie Salfner, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London
Grant for fieldwork on the numeral system of Ikaan, Nigeria.
- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)** 7-9/2007
Travel and Study Grant
Grant for participation in intensive Swahili course at the University of Zanzibar, Tanzania.
- Fellow of the German National Academic Foundation** 2/2007-12/2009
- Erasmus Exchange Scholar Stipend** 9/2004-6/2005
- MONOGRAPHS
- Grimm, Nadine. *A Grammar of Gyeli*. Under revision.
- Borchardt, Nadine. (2011) *The Numeral System of Ikaan, a Benue-Congo Language of*

Nigeria. Asien- und Afrikastudien der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz. xii + 132.

OTHER
PUBLICATIONS

Grimm, Nadine. Negation in Gyeli. Manuscript in preparation.

Grimm, Nadine. Bare nouns and reference tracking in Gyeli (Bantu). Submitted. In Armoskaite, Solveiga & Martina Wiltschko (Eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Determiners*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Grimm, Nadine. (2019) Konstantin Pozdniakov, The numeral system of Proto-Niger-Congo. A step-by-step reconstruction. Book review in *Linguistique et Langues Africaines* 5: 115-122.

Grimm, Nadine. Implosives in Bantu A80? The case of Gyeli. (2019) In Clem, Emily & Peter Jenks & Hannah Sande (Eds.), *Theory and Description in African Linguistics. Proceedings of the 47th Annual Conference of African Linguistics*. pp. 135-153. Berlin: Language Science Press.

Grimm, Nadine. (2014) Color categories in language contact: “Pygmy” hunter-gatherers and Bantu farmers. In Carpenter, Kayla et al. (Eds.), *Proceedings of the Berkeley Linguistics Society 38*, 31-45, Berkeley Linguistic Society, Berkeley, CA.

Borchardt, Nadine. (2011) A morphosyntactic categorization of Ikaan numerals. In Kramer, Rajja & Holger Tröbs & Raimund Kastenholz (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 19th Afrikanistentag*, pp. 9-26, Köln: Rüdiger Köppe.

Borchardt, Nadine. (2009) Agreement in Ikaan compound numerals. In: Brenzinger, Matthias & Anne-Maria Fehn (Eds.), *Proceedings of the 6th WOCAL World Congress of African Linguistics*, pp. 375-383, Köln: Rüdiger Köppe.

Borchardt, Nadine. (2009) Das Provenzalische: Prestige einer bedrohten Sprache in Europa. In Ender, Andrea & Marc Matter (Eds.), *Proceedings der 39. Studentischen Tagung Sprachwissenschaft (StuTS) in Bern*.

Gibbon, Dafydd & Nadine Borchardt. (2007) Computational lexicography: A training programme for language documentation in West Africa. In B.M. Mbah & E.E. Mbah (Eds.), *Linguistics in History: Essays in honour of P.A. Nwachukwu*, Nsukka, Nigeria: University of Nigeria Press.

INVITED TALKS

Grammatical tone in Bantu: Insights from Gyeli. African Studies Department Colloquium, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany, December 2019

Tone in the grammar of Gyeli. Plenary talk, 13th Conference of the Association of Linguistic Typology, Pavia, Italy, September 2019

Capturing linguistic diversity: Grammatical tone in Gyeli. Linguistics Colloquium, University of Rochester, January 2019

Bare nouns and reference tracking in Gyeli. African Studies Department Colloquium, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany, November 2016

The role of language documentation in understanding cognitive categories. Cognitive Science Dinner Talk, University of Rochester, November 2016

Definiteness and referentiality in Gyeli (Bantu). Dimensions of ‘D’ Workshop, University of Rochester, September 2016

Women fieldworkers in Africa. Keynote speaker, Round Table on Women and Fieldwork, SUNY Buffalo, March 2016

Language of perception in Northwestern Bantu. Semantics Circle, Department of Linguistics, SUNY Buffalo, April 2014

Metatonic tone in Gyeli. Linguistics Colloquium, University of Rochester, March 2014

Language documentation among the Bagyeli hunter-gatherers of Cameroon. Linguistics Colloquium, University of Rochester, May 2013

Documenting the language of “Pygmy” hunter-gatherers: the case of the Bagyeli in Cameroon. Fieldwork Group, Department of Linguistics, Stanford University, February 2012

Special challenges in documenting Bakola, a “Pygmy” language of Cameroon. Fieldwork Forum, UC Berkeley, January 2011

With Florian Lionnet *Tone in Abo.* Phonology Forum, UC Berkeley, November 2010

CONFERENCE
PRESENTATIONS

Capturing variation in a language documentation corpus. International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation 6, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, March 2019

The interaction of negation and tense-aspect-mood in Gyeli. 8th Conference on the Syntax of the World’s Languages, Paris, France, September 2018

Bare nouns and reference tracking in Gyeli. World Congress of African Linguistics (WOCAL 9), Rabat, Morocco, August 2018

The importance of gender as a social role in linguistic fieldwork. International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation 5, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, March 2017

Expression of mood and modality in Gyeli. Bantu 6, Helsinki, Finland, June 2016

Implosives in Bantu A80? The case of Gyeli. (Poster), 47th Annual Conference on African Linguistics, Berkeley, CA, March 2016

Inchoative as a tense category in Gyeli (Bantu). (Poster), 89th Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, January 2015

Color systems in comparison: “Pygmy” hunter-gatherers and Bantu farmers. 10th Conference on Hunting and Gathering Societies, Liverpool, UK, June 2013

Tense in Gyeli (Bantu A80). 5th Conference on Bantu languages, Paris, France, June 2013

Connective optionality in Gyeli. 7th World Congress of African Linguistics (WOCAL 7),

Buea, Cameroon, August 2012

With Christopher Lorenz. *Cooperation between linguists and professional cameramen in language documentation*. 20th Afrikanistentag, Cologne, Germany, May 2012

Noun + noun constructions in Gyeli. 20th Afrikanistentag, Cologne, Germany, May 2012

Variability in color naming in some Bantu A languages. 43rd Annual Conference on African Linguistics (ACAL), New Orleans, May 2012

Color categories in language contact: "Pygmy" hunter-gatherers and Bantu farmers. 38th Berkeley Linguistic Society, UC Berkeley, February 2012

Color terms in Bagyeli (Bantu A80). Comparing "Pygmy" and farmer languages. 41st Colloquium on African Languages and Linguistics (CALL), Leiden, The Netherlands, August 2011

The Bakola/Bagyeli of Cameroon. DoBeS/MPI workshop "Hunter-gatherers and semantic categories", Neuwied, Germany, June 2010

Agreement in Ikaan compound numerals. 6th World Congress of African Linguistics (WOCAL 6), Cologne, Germany, August 2009

With Sophie Salfner. *Morphosyntax of Ukaan numerals nouns vs. adjectives*. 26th West African Language Conference (WALC), Winneba, Ghana, August 2008

With Juliane Böttger. *K(l)icks and quirks in Taa (Khoisan, Namibia)*. 43rd Students Linguistic Conference (StuTS), Amsterdam, The Netherlands, May 2008

News from fieldwork in Ikaan (Benue-Congo, Nigeria). 43rd Students Linguistic Conference (StuTS), Amsterdam, The Netherlands, May 2008

Fieldwork preparations and the numeral system in Ikaan. 42nd Students Linguistic Conference (StuTS), Kiel, Germany, November 2007

Documentation of local languages in West Africa. 29nd German Linguistic Society (DGfS) Annual Meeting, Siegen, Germany, February 2007

Documentation of local languages in West Africa: Establishment of an M.A. course of studies at West African universities. 40th Students Linguistic Conference (StuTS), Göttingen, Germany, November 2006

With Dafydd Gibbon. *Didactique en documentation de langues: Aspects de la lexicographie numérique*. 25th West African Languages Conference, Ouidah, Benin, August 2006

Provençal: The prestige of an endangered language in Europe. 39th Students Linguistic Conference (StuTS), Bern, Switzerland, May 2006

TEACHING

Courses

Senior Seminar (LIN389) (Swahili, Ukrainian, Wolof, Kihavu, Igbo, Khasi, Kinyarwanda, Tigrinya) Spring 2015-2020

Undergraduate field methods seminar, University of Rochester.

Topics in Linguistic Research (LIN387) Spring 2015
Undergraduate seminar, University of Rochester.

Field methods in language description I & II Spring 2016-2017
(*LIN271/471 and LIN272/472*) (Ndebele, Armenian, Kihavu)
Undergraduate and graduate seminar, University of Rochester.

Tools in Language Documentation (LIN270/470) Fall 2015-2020
Undergraduate and graduate seminar, University of Rochester.

Language and Culture (LIN104/ANT105) Fall 2016-2017
Undergraduate seminar, University of Rochester.

Introduction to African Linguistics Fall 2012
BA Seminar, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany.

The Languages of the Central African Pygmies Fall 2011
MA Seminar, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany.

Language, Culture and Cognition Fall 2011
MA Seminar, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany.

Summer Schools and Workshops

Audio Recordings 8/2018
Summer School on Documentary Linguistics, Rabat, Morocco.

Workflow in Language Documentation, Tools for Processing Audio Data 7/2017
Summer School on Documentary Linguistics, Winneba, Ghana.

Fieldwork methods 6/2011
Workshop on Documentary Linguistics, Yaounde, Cameroon.

The Bakola documentation project 6/2011
Workshop on Documentary Linguistics, Yaounde, Cameroon.

Linguistic documentation software 8/2008
Summer School on Documentary Linguistics, Winneba, Ghana.

Lecture Series

Linguistic documentation software 8/2006
Invited lecture series, University of Uyo, Nigeria.

Lexicography 8/2006
Invited lecture series, University of Uyo, Nigeria.

Lexicography 5/2006
Invited lecture series, Abidjan, Ivory Coast.

Linguistic documentation software 8/2004
Invited lecture series, University of Uyo, Nigeria.

Lexicography 8/2004
Invited lecture series, University of Uyo, Nigeria.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE **Student research assistant** 7/2009-2/2010
Institute of Asian and African Studies, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany.

Student research assistant 4/2007-6/2009
Max-Planck-Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany.
Project: *A Pan-dialectal Documentation of Taa*

How to handle speech 4-7/2004
Teaching assistant, University of Bielefeld, Germany.

FIELDWORK **Gyeli**, Cameroon 5-6/2017

Gyeli, Cameroon 5-7/2014

Gyeli, Cameroon 10-12/2013

Gyeli, Cameroon 3-5/2013

Gyeli, Cameroon 6-9/2012

Gyeli, Cameroon 4-8/2011

Gyeli, Cameroon 4-6/2010

Ikaan, Nigeria 1-3/2008

Ibuaro, Nigeria 8/2006

Provençal, France 11/2004-6/2005

SERVICE **Academic Service:**

Editorial Board, *Linguistique et Langues Africaines* (since 2019)
Archive consultant for the Endangered Languages Archive (ELAR) (2018, 2019)

University & Departmental Service:

Director of the Language Documentation and Description Master of Arts Program (since 2017)

Department scientific reviewer of human subject research (since 2020)

Departmental colloquium series organization (since 2020)

Graduate and Undergraduate Curriculum Development (since 2015)

Admissions committee for Linguistics Master of Arts Programs (since 2016)

MA Student Advising (since 2017)

River Campus Libraries Faculty & Staff User Advisory Board (2018/19)

Academic Conference Organization:

Panel organization: “Hunter-gatherer languages in contact” (with Harald Hammarström), 11th Conference on Hunting and Gathering Societies, Vienna, Austria (2015)

Volunteer at Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Annual Meeting. Pittsburgh, PA. (2011)

Workshop organization: “Genealogical language classification in Africa beyond Greenberg”, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany (2010)

Co-organizer of Students’ Linguistic Conference (StuTS), University of Bielefeld, Germany (2007)

Co-organizer of Students’ Workshop: “World-Images—Transfer of knowledge and culture”, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (2007)

Co-organizer of Africanist workshop: “Africa between tradition and globalisation”, University of Bielefeld, Germany (2006)

Volunteer at German Linguistic Society (DGfS) Annual Meeting, University of Bielefeld, Germany (2006)

Hiring Committees:

Faculty Search Committee (2018/19)

Student member of the habilitation committee of Dr. Klaus Beyer, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany (2009-2010)

Student member in the appointments committee for the Swahili lecturer, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany (2007)

Student member of the hiring committee for a full linguistic professor, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany (2007)

REVIEWING

Endangered Languages Documentation Programme (ELDP) grant reviewing (2017-present)
Cambridge University Press (2019)

Journal of African Languages and Linguistics (2012, 2013)

Journal of African Languages and Literatures (2019)

Oxford University Press (2018)

Studies in African Linguistics (2015)

13th Association of Linguistic Typology Conference (2019)

7th World Congress of African Linguistics (2009)

LANGUAGES

German (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Kiswahili (advanced), Gyeli (advanced), Latin (intermediate), Swedish (basic), Hausa (basic)