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### **Academic Positions**

- 2020 - Professor of Sociolinguistics  
Director, Center for the Study of Language and Society  
University of Bern
- 2008 - 2020 Lecturer/Reader/Professor of Sociolinguistics  
Queen Mary University of London

### **Education**

- Ph.D., Linguistics, New York University, 2007  
*National Discord: Language, sexuality, and the politics of belonging in Israel*  
Committee: Renée Blake (chair), John Singler, Gregory Guy, Rudolf Gaudio, Don Kulick
- M.A., Linguistics, New York University, 2002
- B.A., Linguistics and French, University of California Los Angeles, 2000

### **Research Grants**

- “Does emotion cause sociolinguistic variation?” (with Nicolai Phrao), Swiss National Science Foundation, 2024-25, CHF 99,750
- “Gender and Neo-nationalism in Europe and Beyond” (with Patricia Purtschert and Serena Tolino), Dean’s Strategic Research Fund, Faculty of Humanities, University of Bern, 2022-2023, CHF 55,200
- “Accent Bias and Fair Access in Britain” (with Devyani Sharma and Dominic Watt), UK Economic and Social Research Council, 2017-21, £588,803
- “Multilingual masculinities in post-apartheid South Africa” (with Tommaso Milani and Quentin Williams), British Academy, 2016-19, £29,000
- “Intersections: Comparing the multiple faces of masculinity in South Africa and the UK” (with Tommaso Milani), British Academy, 2014-15, £9000
- “National discord: Language, sexuality and belonging in Israel”, Social Science Research Council (US), 2005-06, \$26,000

“National discord: Language, sexuality and belonging in Israel”, NYU Torch Research Fellowship, 2005-06, \$22,000

## Publications

### *Books and Journal Special Issues:*

1. Buchstaller, I. & **E. Levon** (contracted). *An introduction to the sociolinguistics of English*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press.
2. Armstrong, M., M. Breen, S. Gooden, **E. Levon** & K. Yu, eds (2022). Sociolectal and dialectal variation in prosody. Special issue of *Language and Speech* 65(4).
3. Hall, K., **E. Levon** & T. Milani, eds. (2019). Navigating normativities: Gender and sexuality in text and talk. Special issue of *Language in Society* 48(4).
4. **Levon, E.**, M. Maegaard & N. Pharaoh, eds. (2017). The sociophonetics of /s/. Special issue of *Linguistics* 55(5).
5. **Levon, E.** & R. Mendes, eds. (2016). *Language, sexuality, and power: Studies in intersectional sociolinguistics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
6. **Levon, E.** (2010). *Language and the politics of sexuality: Lesbians and gays in Israel*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.

### *Articles and Refereed Chapters:*

7. **Levon, E.** & S. Katsiveli (forthcoming). Borders, norms, and the dialogic construction of self. In Bürki, Y. & A. García (eds.) *Challenging borders*. Berlin: de Gruyter.
8. **Levon, E.** (forthcoming). Perceptions and employment. In Montgomery, C. & E. Moore (eds.) *Oxford handbook of British Englishes*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
9. **Levon, E.** (forthcoming). Variation, differentiation, and the emergence of social meaning. In Asahi, Y., A. D’Arcy & P. Kerswill (eds.) *Routledge handbook of variationist sociolinguistics*. London: Routledge.
10. Holmes-Elliott, S. & **E. Levon** (forthcoming). The jet set: Modern RP and the (re)creation of social distinction. *Language Variation and Change*.
11. **Levon, E.** & S. Holmes-Elliott (2024). Voices, bodies, and the cultural organization of meaning. *Signs and Society* 12(1), forthcoming.
12. Milani, T. & **E. Levon** (2024). Theorizing checkpoints of desire: Multilingualism, sexuality and (in)securitization in Israel/Palestine. *International Journal of Bilingual Education and Bilingualism* 27(5): 702-714.
13. **Levon, E.** & S. Katsiveli (2023). Sociophonetics and identity. In Strelluf, C. (ed) *Routledge handbook of sociophonetics*, 307-325. London: Routledge.
14. **Levon, E.** (2023). Experimental sociolinguistics. In Zufferey, S. & P. Gyga (eds.) *Routledge handbook of experimental linguistics*, 106-119. London: Routledge.
15. Watt, D., **E. Levon** & C. Ilbury (2023). Accent bias. In Beal, J., M. Lukač & R. Straajier (eds.) *Routledge handbook of linguistic prescriptivism*, 31-53. London: Routledge.
16. **Levon, E.**, D. Sharma & Y. Ye (2022). Dynamic sociolinguistic processing: Real-time change in judgments of speaker competence. *Language* 98(4): 749-774.

17. Sharma, D., **E. Levon** & Y. Ye (2022). 50 years of British accent bias: Stability and lifespan change in attitudes to accents. *English World-Wide* 43(2): 135-166.
18. **Levon, E.**, D. Sharma, D. Watt, A. Cardoso & Y. Ye (2021). Accent bias and perceptions of professional competence in England. *Journal of English Linguistics* 49(4): 355-388.
19. **Levon, E.** (2021). Sexuality as non-binary: A variationist perspective. In Angouri, J. & J. Baxter (eds.) *The Routledge handbook of language, gender and sexuality*, 37-51. London: Routledge.
20. **Levon, E.**, I. Buchstaller & A. Mearns (2021). Towards an integrated model of perception: Linguistic architecture and the dynamics of sociolinguistic cognition. In Beaman, K., I. Buchstaller, S. Fox & J. Walker (eds.) *Advancing socio-grammatical variation and change: In honour of Jenny Cheshire*, 32–54. London: Routledge.
21. Milani, T., K. Køhler Mortensen, **E. Levon** (2021). At queere flersprogethed og migration. *Språk och stil* 31(1): 201–229.
22. **Levon, E.** & Y. Ye (2020). Language, indexicality and gender ideologies: Contextual effects on the perceived credibility of women. *Gender and Language* 14(2): 123–151.
23. Bekker, I. & **E. Levon** (2020). Parodies of whiteness: *Die Antwoord* and the politics of race, gender and class in South Africa. *Language in Society* 49(1): 115–147.
24. **Levon, E.** (2020). Language, (in)security and sexuality. *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 24(1): 111–118.
25. Milani, T., M. Awayed-Bishara, R. Gafter & **E. Levon** (2020). When the checkpoint becomes a counterpoint: Stasis as queer dissent. In Moita-Lopes, L. and J. Pinto (eds.), Special Issue on "Resistance in contesting discursive practices in fragile democracies". *Trabalhos de Linguística Aplicada* 59(3): 1659–1687.
26. Sharma, D., **E. Levon**, D. Watt, Y. Ye & A. Cardoso (2019). Methods for the study of accent bias and access to elite professions. *Journal of Language and Discrimination* 3(2): 150–172.
27. Milani, T. & **E. Levon** (2019). Israel as homotopia: Language, space and vicious belonging. *Language in Society* 48(4): 607–628.
28. Hall, K., **E. Levon** & T. Milani (2019). Introduction: Navigating normativities: Gender and sexuality in text and talk. *Language in Society* 48(4): 481–489.
29. **Levon, E.** & R. Gafter (2019). "This is not Europe": Sexuality, ethnicity and the (re)enactment of Israeli authenticity. *Discourse, Context & Media* 30: article 100287.
30. Milani, T., **E. Levon**, R. Glocer (2019). Crossing boundaries: Visceral landscapes of Israeli nationalism. *Sociolinguistic Studies* 13(1): 37–56.
31. Milani, T., **E. Levon**, R. Gafter & I. Or (2018). Tel Aviv as a space of affirmation versus transformation: Language, citizenship, and the politics of sexuality in Israel. *Linguistic Landscapes* 4(3): 279–298.
32. **Levon, E.** (2018). Same difference: The phonetic shape of High Rising Terminals in London. *English Language and Linguistics* 24(1): 48–73.
33. **Levon, E.** (2018). Language and sexual politics. In Barrett, R. & K. Hall (eds.) *The Oxford handbook of language and sexuality* [online first]. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

34. Kitis, E. D., T. Milani & **E. Levon** (2018). 'Black diamonds', 'clever blacks', and other metaphors: Constructing the black middle-class in contemporary South African print media. *Discourse & Communication* 12(2): 149–170.
35. Bekker, I. & **E. Levon** (2017). The embedded indexical value of /s/-fronting in Afrikaans and White South African English. *Linguistics* 55(5): 1109–1139.
36. Holmes-Elliott, S. & **E. Levon** (2017). The substance of style: Gender, social class and interactional stance in southeast England. *Linguistics* 55(5): 1045–1072.
37. **Levon, E.**, M. Maegaard & N. Phrao (2017). Introduction: Tracing the origin of /s/ variation. *Linguistics* 55(5): 979–992.
38. Milani, T. & **E. Levon** (2017). Queering multilingualism and politics: Regimes of mobility, citizenship and (in)visibility. In Wodak, R. & B. Forchtner (eds.) *The Routledge handbook of language and politics*, 528–540. London: Routledge.
39. **Levon, E.**, T. Milani & E.D. Kitis (2017). The topography of masculine normativities in South Africa. *Critical Discourse Studies* 14(5): 514–531.
40. Milani, T. & **E. Levon** (2016). Sexing diversity: Linguistic landscapes of homonationalism. *Language & Communication* 51: 69–86.
41. **Levon, E.** (2016). Qualitative analysis of stance. In Baker, P. & J. Egbert (eds.) *Triangulating methodological approaches in corpus-linguistic research*, 152–166. London: Routledge.
42. **Levon, E.** (2016). Gender, interaction and intonational variation: The discourse function of High Rising Terminals in London. *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 20(2): 133–163.
43. **Levon, E.** (2016). Conflicted selves: Language, sexuality and religion in Israel. In Levon, E. & R. Mendes (eds.) *Language, sexuality and power: Studies in intersectional sociolinguistics*, 215–239. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
44. **Levon, E.** & R. Mendes (2016). Introduction: Locating sexuality in language. In Levon, E. & R. Mendes (eds.) *Language, sexuality and power: Studies in intersectional sociolinguistics*, 1–18. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
45. Baker, P. & **E. Levon** (2016). 'That's what I call a man': Representations of racialized and class masculinities in the UK print media. *Gender & Language* 10(1): 106–139.
46. **Levon, E.** & I. Buchstaller (2015). Perception, cognition and linguistic structure: The effect of linguistic modularity and cognitive style on sociolinguistic processing. *Language Variation and Change* 27(3): 319–348.
47. **Levon, E.** (2015). Integrating intersectionality in language, gender and sexuality research. *Language and Linguistics Compass* 9: 295–308.
48. **Levon, E.** (2015). Language and the politics of gender. In Whelehan, P. & A. Bolin (eds.) *The international encyclopaedia of human sexuality*. Oxford: Blackwell, 657–660.
49. Baker, P. & **E. Levon** (2015). Picking the right cherries? A comparison of corpus and qualitative analyses of news articles about masculinity. *Discourse & Communication* 19(2): 221–236.

50. **Levon, E.** (2015). 'The ideal gay man': Narrating masculinity and national identity in Israel. In Milani, T. (ed.) *Language and masculinities: Performances, intersections, dislocations*. London: Routledge, 133-155.
51. **Levon, E.** (2014). Categories, stereotypes and the linguistic perception of sexuality. *Language in Society* 43(5): 539-566.
52. **Levon, E.** (2014). The politics of prosody: Language, sexuality and national belonging in Israel. In Zimman, L., J. Raclaw & J. Davis (eds.) *Queer Excursions: Re-theorizing binaries in language, gender and sexuality*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 101-128.
53. **Levon, E. & S. Fox** (2014). Salience and the sociolinguistic monitor: A case study of (ING) and TH-fronting in Britain. *Journal of English Linguistics* 42(3): 185-217.
54. **Levon, E. & S. Holmes-Elliott** (2013). East End boys and West End girls: /s/-fronting in Southeast England. *University of Pennsylvania Working Papers in Linguistics* 19(2): 111-120.
55. **Levon, E.** (2012). The voice of others: Identity, alterity and gender normativity among gay men in Israel. *Language in Society* 41(2): 187-211.
56. **Levon, E.** (2012). Gender, prescriptivism and language change: Morphological variation in Hebrew animate reference. *Language Variation and Change* 24(1): 33-58.
57. **Levon, E.** (2011). Teasing apart to bring together: Gender and sexuality in variationist research. *American Speech* 86(1): 69-84.
58. **Levon, E.** (2009). Dimensions of style: Context, politics and motivation in gay Israeli speech. *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 13(1): 29-58.
59. **Levon, E.** (2007). Sexuality in context: Variation and the sociolinguistic perception of identity. *Language in Society* 36(4): 533-554.
60. **Levon, E.** (2006). Hearing 'gay': Prosody, interpretation and the affective judgments of men's speech. *American Speech* 81(1): 56-78.
61. **Levon, E.** (2006). Mosaic identity and style: Phonological variation among Reform American Jews. *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 10(2): 185-205.

#### *Teaching Publications:*

62. **Levon, E.** (2013). Ethnography and recording interaction. In Sharma, D. & R. Podesva (eds.) *Research methods in Linguistics*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 200-220.
63. **Levon, E.** (2013). Ethnographic fieldwork. In Mallinson, C., B. Childs & G. van Herk (eds.) *Data collection in sociolinguistics: Methods and applications*. London: Routledge, 69-79. [revised second edition published in 2018]
64. **Levon, E.** (2010). Organizing and processing your data: The nuts and bolts of quantitative analyses. In Litosseliti, L. (ed.) *Research methods in linguistics*. London: Continuum, 68-92. [revised second edition published in 2018]

#### *Book Reviews:*

65. **Levon, E.** (2017). Situating sociolinguistics: A review of Coupland (2017) *Theoretical debates*. *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 21(2): 272-288.

66. **Levon, E.** (2010). Review of Rasinger, S. (2008) *Quantitative research in linguistics: An introduction*. *Language* 86: 247-249.
67. **Levon, E.** (2009). Review of Myhill, J. (2006) *Language, religion and national identity in Europe and the Middle East*. *Language Policy* 8: 169-171.

### **Invited Plenaries and Workshops**

1. “Style, embodiment, and the spread of sound change,” *Phonetik und Phonologie im Deutschsprachigen Raum 19*, University of Bern, October 2023 (plenary address)
2. “Locating language attitudes in context,” *Workshop on Experimental Methods for Studying the Social World*, University of Copenhagen, August 2023 (invited keynote)
3. “Language, Gender, and Sexuality: Identity, Practice, Politics,” 1-month course, *Linguistics Society of America Summer Institute*, University of Massachusetts Amherst, June-July 2023
4. “Language and social consciousness,” *Collegium Generale*, University of Bern, November 2022 (invited keynote)
5. “Language, identity, and the interactional construction of self,” *Sociolinguistics Symposium 24*, University of Ghent, July 2022 (plenary address)
6. “Borders, norms, and the dialogic construction of self,” *Challenging Borders*, University of Bern, November 2021 (plenary address)
7. “Language, gender, and sexuality,” 4-day short course, *Universidade Federal da Bahia*, Salvador, Brazil, March 2020.
8. “Language and identity in sociolinguistics: Theories, methods, innovations,” 3-day short course, *ABRALIN 50*, Brazil, May 2019.
9. “Scales of meaning in variation,” 1-day workshop, *Winter School in Sociolinguistics*, University of Copenhagen, March 2019.
10. “The systematicity of emergent meaning,” *New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 47*, New York University, October 2018 (plenary address)
11. “Interpreting prosody in context: Gender, social stereotypes and the perception of uptalk in London,” *Experimental and Theoretical Approach to Prosody (ETAP) conference*, University of Massachusetts Amherst, October 2018 (invited keynote)
12. “Language, indexicality and gender ideologies: Contextual effects on the perceived credibility of women,” *British Association of Applied Linguistics (BAAL) annual conference*, York St John University, September 2018 (plenary address)
13. “‘This is not Europe’: Sexuality, ethnicity and the (re)enactment of Israeli authenticity,” *Language in the Media*, University of the Western Cape, October 2017 (plenary address)
14. “Negotiating subjective conflict: Language and the dialogical self,” *BAAL Special Interest Group conference on Language, Discrimination and Conflict*, Nottingham University, April 2017 (plenary address)
15. “Navigating your data,” 2-day workshop, *University of Lausanne (Switzerland)*, March 2017.

16. “Parodying Whiteness: *Die Antwoord* and the politics of race in South Africa,” Language, Indexicality and Belonging (LIB) conference, University of Oxford, April 2016 (plenary address)
17. “Teasing apart social and cognitive factors in sociolinguistic perception,” Sociolinguistic Variation and Language Processing (SVALP) conference, Virginia Tech, March 2016 (plenary address)
18. “Intersectionality and Sociolinguistics”, 1-day workshop, University of the Western Cape (South Africa), Department of Linguistics, February 2015
19. “Gay language, performativity, and the emergence of identity”, Half-day workshop, University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa), Department of Linguistics, February 2015
20. “Stance, voice, and the linguistic construction of self”, BAAL-CUP Approaches to Identity in Language conference, Anglia Ruskin University, June 2014 (plenary address)
21. “Methods in sociolinguistic perception research”, Half-day workshop, LANCHART Centre, Copenhagen University, September 2014
22. “Gender, sexuality, and language,” 5-day short course, University of São Paulo, Department of Linguistics, June 2012
23. “Speech perception and identity in interaction,” 1-day workshop, Sociolinguistics Summer School, University of Glasgow, July 2011

### **Invited Departmental Seminars/Colloquia**

Leiden University, Sociolinguistics & Discourse Series, November 2023  
 University of Copenhagen, Sociolinguistics Circle, August 2023  
 University of Lausanne, Department of English, March 2023  
 School of Oriental and African Studies, Department of Linguistics, April 2021  
 University of the Aegean, Lab for the Ethnographic Study of Language, March 2021  
 Bar-Ilan University, Department of English, January 2021  
 Northumbria University, Department of English Language and Linguistics, December 2020  
 Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Department of Hebrew, November 2020  
 University of São Paulo, Department of Linguistics, May 2019  
 University of Sussex, Research on Language and Linguistics Seminars, December 2018  
 University of Bern, Departments of English and Linguistics, November 2018  
 University College London, Speech Science Forum, December 2016  
 University of Edinburgh, Department of Linguistics, October 2015  
 Victoria University of Wellington, Department of Linguistics, September 2015  
 New Zealand Institute of Language, Brain and Behaviour, September 2015  
 University of Oxford, Language & Society Group, June 2015  
 University of Cape Town, Department of Linguistics, February 2015  
 University of York, Department of Language and Linguistic Science, February 2015  
 Stanford University, Department of Linguistics, June 2014  
 LANCHART Centre, Copenhagen University, November 2013

University of Essex, Department of Linguistics, December 2012  
 University of Glasgow, School of Critical Studies, October 2012  
 University of Glasgow, Phonetics Laboratory, October 2012  
 University of São Paulo, Department of Linguistics, June 2012  
 New York University, Department of Social and Cultural Analysis, May 2012  
 Kingston University London, Department of English Language, November 2009  
 University of York, Department of Linguistics, May 2009  
 Anglia Ruskin University, Department of Language and Communication, March 2009  
 School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), Centre for Gender Studies, May 2008

### **Selected Conference Presentations**

1. Embodied affect and the actuation of variation: An initial investigation (with Nicolai Phrao), International Conference on Language and Variation in Europe (ICLaVE) 12, University of Vienna, July 2024.
2. ““You have to bring the party””: Gender, sexuality, and local orientation on the Isle of Man (with Elijah King), ICLaVE 12, University of Vienna, July 2024.
3. Gender, national publics, and the discursive construction of fear, Sociolinguistics Symposium 25, Curtin University, June 2024.
4. “Myriad orientations: Sexuality and locality in Manx English” (with Elijah King), New Ways of Analyzing Variation (N WAV) 51, CUNY/Queen’s College, October 2023.
5. “A multidimensional approach to investigating accent attitudes in Britain” (with Amanda Cardoso, Devyani Sharma, Dominic Watt, Christian Ilbury & Yang Ye), Methods in Dialectology 17, Johannes Gutenberg Universität Mainz, August 2022.
6. “Nested language ideologies: Does context affect accent bias?” (with Devyani Sharma, Dominic Watt, Amanda Cardoso & Yang Ye), Sociolinguistics Symposium 23, University of Hong Kong, June 2021.
7. “Checkpoints of desire: Language and intersectional double binds in Israel/Palestine” (with Tommaso Milani), Sociolinguistics Symposium 23, University of Hong Kong, June 2021.
8. “Attitudes to accents in Britain: Ideologies, phonetic detail and the reproduction of accent bias” (with Devyani Sharma, Amanda Cardoso, Yang Ye & Dominic Watt), Linguistics Society of America Annual Meeting, New Orleans, January 2020.
9. “Real-time evaluations of British accents: The effect of social and psychological factors on judgements of professional competence” (with Yang Ye, Devyani Sharma & Amanda Cardoso), N WAV 48, University of Oregon, October 2019.
10. “Accent bias and judgments of professional competence: A comparison of laypeople and trained recruiters” (with Devyani Sharma, Yang Ye & Dominic Watt), N WAV 48, University of Oregon, October 2019.
11. “The effect of accent on judgments of professional competence” (with Devyani Sharma, Yang Ye, Amanda Cardoso & Dominic Watt), UK Language Variation and Change (UKLVC) 12, Queen Mary University of London, September 2019.



12. “Real-time evaluations of accent and professional competence” (with Devyani Sharma, Yang Ye, Amanda Cardoso & Dominic Watt), Experimental Approaches to Perception and Production (ExAPP), University of Münster, September 2019.
13. “Inter-speaker variation and the evaluation of British English accents in employment contexts” (with Amanda Cardoso, Devyani Sharma, Dominic Watt & Yang Ye), International Congress of Phonetic Sciences (ICPhS), Melbourne, August 2019.
14. “Accent bias and perceptions of professional competence in the UK” (with Devyani Sharma, Dominic Watt, Amanda Cardoso & Yang Ye), ICLaVE 10, Fryske Akademy, June 2019.
15. “Language, citizenship and the spatial politics of sexuality in Israel” (with Tommaso Milani), International Gender and Language Association (IGALA) 10, University of Botswana, June 2018.
16. “The jet set: Articulatory setting and the shifting vowel system of London English” (with Sophie Holmes-Elliott), NWAV 46, University of Wisconsin Madison, October 2017.
17. “Reality check: Stance, style and the short vowel system of Southern British English” (with Sophie Holmes-Elliott), UKLVC 11, Cardiff University, August 2017.
18. “Israel as homotopia: Normativity and anti-normativity in the discursive construction of gay Palestinian subjectivities” (with Tommaso Milani), AILA World Congress, Rio de Janeiro, July 2017.
19. “Same difference: The phonetic shape of High Rising Terminals in London,” ICLaVE 9, University of Malaga, June 2017.
20. “Unchained: Stance, style and the changing short vowel system of Southern British English” (with Sophie Holmes-Elliott), ICLaVE 9, University of Malaga, June 2017.
21. “In crowd(ing): Convergence in the short vowel system of young RP speakers” (with Sophie Holmes-Elliott), Workshop on Sound Change 4, University of Edinburgh, April 2017.
22. “Exploring online perceptions of clustered variability: Towards an integrated model of phonetic and morphosyntactic variation” (with Isabelle Buchstaller), NWAV 45, Simon Fraser University/University of Victoria, November 2016.
23. “Grammar versus phonetics in perceptions of gender and sexuality” (with Ronald Beline Mendes), NWAV 45, Simon Fraser University/University of Victoria, November 2016.
24. “Perception in contact: Evaluation of new language practices among Afrikaans-English bilinguals in South Africa” (with Ian Bekker), Sociolinguistic Symposium 21, University of Murcia, June 2016.
25. “Towards an integrated model of sociolinguistic perception” (with Isabelle Buchstaller and Adam Mearns), Sociolinguistic Symposium 21, University of Murcia, June 2016.
26. “The topography of masculine normativities in South Africa” (with Tommaso Milani and Dimitris Kitis), IGALA 9, City University of Hong Kong, May 2016.
27. “Perceptions of sexuality in Brazilian Portuguese: The interaction of grammar and phonetics” (with Ronald Beline Mendes), IGALA 9, City University of Hong Kong, May 2016.

28. "Gender, politeness and intonational variation: The multiple discourse functions of High Rising Terminals in London", NWAV 44, University of Toronto/York University, October 2015.
29. "Gender and interactional meaning: High Rising Terminals in London", ICLaVE 8, Leipzig University, May 2015.
30. "Orders of (in)visibility: Checkpoints and sexual citizenship in Israel/Palestine" (with Tommaso Milani), Georgetown University Roundtable (GURT), Georgetown University, March 2015
31. "Perception, cognition and linguistic structure: The effect of linguistic modularity and cognitive style on sociolinguistic processing", NWAV 43, University of Illinois Chicago/Urbana-Champaign, October 2014.
32. "High Rising Terminals in London: Gender, ethnicity and interactional meaning", NWAV 43, University of Illinois Chicago/Urbana-Champaign, October 2014.
33. "Style over substance: /s/-variation and stance-taking in southeast England" (with Sophie Holmes-Elliott), NWAV 42, Carnegie Mellon University, October 2013.
34. "Stance and sensibility: Gender, class and affect in /s/ production in southeast England" (with Sophie Holmes-Elliott), ICLaVE 7, Sør-Trøndelag University College, June 2013.
35. "Variation and the perception of emergent meaning," ExAPP, University of Copenhagen, March 2013.
36. "Style and error: Intra-speaker /s/ variation in southeast England" (with Sophie Holmes-Elliott), ExAPP, University of Copenhagen, March 2013.
37. "Individual attitudes and listener stereotypes in the perception of gender and sexuality," NWAV 41, Indiana University Bloomington, October 2012.
38. "East-end boys and west-end girls: /s/-fronting in southeast England" (with Sophie Holmes-Elliott), NWAV 41, Indiana University Bloomington, October 2012.
39. "The only way is /s/: Doing gender and constructing class in the southeast of England" (with Sophie Holmes-Elliott), Sociolinguistic Symposium 19, Freie Universität Berlin, August 2012.
40. "Social salience and the sociolinguistic monitor: An investigation of ING and TH-fronting" (with Sue Fox), Sociolinguistic Symposium 19, Freie Universität Berlin, August 2012.
41. "'The ideal gay man': Narrating masculinity and national identity in Israel," IGALA 7, Universidade do Vale dos Sinos, June 2012.
42. "Stereotypes and the perceptual evaluation of indexical language," NWAV 40, Georgetown University, October 2011.
43. "The social salience of (ING) in Britain: Implications for the sociolinguistic monitor" (with Sue Fox), UK LVC 8, Edge Hill University, September 2011.
44. "Categories and stereotypes: Perceiving the intersection of gender, sexuality and social class in language," ICLaVE 6, University of Freiburg, July 2011.
45. "Gender, prescriptivism and language change: A new way of analyzing morphological variation in Hebrew," NWAV 39, University of Texas San Antonio, November 2010.

46. "Discursive constructions of gender normativity among gay men in Israel," IGALA 6, Tsuda College (Japan), September 2010.
47. "Language and the reproduction of hegemonic masculinity among gay men in Israel," Masculine Identifications Conference, University of Huddersfield, July 2010.
48. "Teasing apart to bring together: Gender and sexuality in variationist research," Linguistics Society of America (LSA) Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, January 2010.
49. "Representatively speaking: Tracing variation between the community and the individual," NWAV 37, Rice University, November 2008.
50. "Prosodic variation and style in Gay Israeli speech: Context, politics and motivation," LSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, January 2008.
51. "Sexual subjectivities and narratives of belonging in Israel," American Anthropological Association (AAA) Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., November 2007.
52. "National discord: Language style and the politics of sexuality in Israel," NWAV 36, University of Pennsylvania, October 2007.
53. "Politically speaking: Prosodic variation among gay men in Israel," IGALA 4, University of Valencia, November 2006.
54. "Contingent sexuality: Variation and the sociolinguistic perception of identity," SouthEastern Conference on Linguistics (SECOL) 72, North Carolina State University, April 2005.
55. "Gay prosody: Perception and the linguistic envelope of variation," LSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, January 2005.
56. "Contextualized perception: A new methodology for analyzing sexuality and linguistic variation," NWAV 33, University of Michigan, October 2004.
57. "Hearing gay: Prosody, interpretation and the affective judgments of men's speech," IGALA 3, Cornell University, June 2004.
58. "Examining a gay prosody: Issues in theory, methodology and identity," Lavender Languages and Linguistics XI, American University, Washington, D.C., February 2004.
59. "Negotiating Reform Jewish identity in New York City," Association of Jewish Studies, Boston, December 2003.
60. "Linguistic style and Mosaic identity: Phonological variation and Reform American Judaism," NWAV 32, University of Pennsylvania, October 2003.

### **Fellowships and Awards**

Outstanding Teaching Award, Faculty of Humanities, University of Bern, 2021

Visiting Research Fellow, Universidade Federal da Bahia, Brazil, 2020

Visiting Research Fellow, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 2016

Visiting Research Fellow, North West University, Potchefstroom, 2016

Fellow of the UK Higher Education Academy, inducted 2016

Strategic Visiting Fellowship, New Zealand Institute of Language, Brain & Behaviour, University of Canterbury, 2015

Visiting Research Fellow, LANCHART Centre, Copenhagen University, 2013  
 Shortlist, International Gender and Language Association Book Prize, 2012  
 Draper's Award for Excellence in Teaching, Queen Mary, University of London, 2009  
 NYU Henry MacCracken Doctoral Fellowship, 2000-2005 (\$80,000)  
 Max Talmey Fellowship (field research in Israel), 2003 (\$1,700)  
 NYU Pre-Doctoral Fellowship (field research in Israel), 2003 (\$3,000)  
 Outstanding Teaching Award, New York University, 2003  
 Phi Beta Kappa, inducted 2000  
 Magna cum Laude, University of California Los Angeles, 2000  
 Departmental Honours, Linguistics, University of California Los Angeles, 2000  
 Regents Scholar, University of California, 1998-2000  
 National Merit Scholar, University of California Los Angeles, 1996-2000

## Courses Taught

### *Undergraduate:*

Bilingualism  
 English in Use  
 History of English  
 Interaction and Discourse  
 Language and Ethnicity  
 Language in the UK  
 Languages of the World  
 Language Variation and Change  
 Research Methods in Linguistics  
 Sex, Gender, and Language

### *Postgraduate:*

Sociolinguistic Theory  
 Epistemologies of Sociolinguistics  
 Language Attitudes and Speech Perception  
 Style and Stylization  
 Language and Sexism  
 Language, Gender, and Sexuality  
 Populist Discourses  
 Quantitative Methods in Sociolinguistics  
 Qualitative Methods in Sociolinguistics  
 Language, Borders, and Bordering  
 Language and Identity  
 Language and Politics

## Departmental/University Service

### University of Bern

#### *Faculty Roles:*

Structural Planning Commission, Department of French (2024-present)  
 Quality Assurance Officer, Walter Benjamin Kolleg (2023-present)  
 Structural Planning Commission, Department of Linguistics (2023-present)  
 Walter Benjamin Kolleg Steering Committee (2020-present)  
 Humanities Research Ethics Working Group (2021-present)  
 Humanities Equal Opportunities Committee (2021-present)  
 Hiring Commission, Professor of Slavic Languages and Linguistics (2021)  
 Hiring Commission, Asst. Professor of German Languages and Linguistics (2021)  
 Hiring Commission, Professor of German Sociolinguistics (2021-2022)

*Departmental Roles:*

Director, Center for the Study of Language and Society (2020-present)  
 President, CSLS Steering Committee (2020-present)

Queen Mary University of London*University Roles:*

Academic Lead, Study Abroad Programme (2012-15)  
 Chair, International Student Experience Task Force (2014-15)

*Departmental Roles:*

Director of Graduate Studies, Languages, Linguistics & Film (2017-2020)  
 PhD in Linguistics Convenor (2010-12, 2016-2020)  
 MA in Linguistics Convenor (2010-2011, 2012-2013, 2014-2015)

*Committee Memberships:*

SLLF Research Policy Committee (2010-12, 2016-2020)  
 HSS Graduate Studies Forum (2016-2020)  
 London Interdisciplinary Social Science DTP Steering Committee (2017-2020)  
 London Social Science DTC Steering Committee (2016-17)  
 Arts Faculty Board (2009-10)

**Disciplinary Service and Public Outreach***Journal Associate Editor:*

Language (since 2024)  
 Journal of Sociolinguistics (since 2017)  
 Linguistics Vanguard (2015-2019)

*Journal Editorial Board:*

Journal of Language and Sexuality (since 2012)  
 Language in Society (since 2013)  
 Gender & Language (since 2016)

*Journal Manuscript Review:*

Applied Linguistics; Canadian Journal of Linguistics; Critical Discourse Studies;  
 Discourse, Context & Media; Gender & Language; Glossa; Journal of English Linguistics;  
 Journal of Homosexuality; Journal of Language and Sexuality; Journal of Linguistic  
 Anthropology; Journal of Linguistics; Journal of Phonetics; Journal of Sociolinguistics;  
 Journal of Voice; Laboratory Phonology; Language; Language & Communication;  
 Language and Linguistics Compass; Language and Speech; Language in Society;  
 Language Sciences; Language Variation and Change; Lingua; PLOS One; Pragmatics;  
 Speech Communication; Text & Talk

*Book Manuscript Review:*

Cambridge University Press, Edinburgh University Press, Oxford University Press, Palgrave Macmillan, Routledge, Wiley-Blackwell, SUNY Press

*Grant Application and Researcher Profile Review:*

British Academy, Economic and Social Research Council [UK], European Research Council, European Science Foundation, Israel Science Foundation, KU Leuven, Leverhulme Trust, National Research Foundation [South Africa], National Science Foundation [US], Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council [Canada]

*Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure Review:*

Australia National University, Bar-Ilan University, Cardiff University, Laboratoire de Linguistique Formelle (CNRS, Paris), Northwestern University, North West University (South Africa), Stanford University, University of California Santa Barbara, University of Colorado at Boulder, University of Edinburgh, University of Georgia, University of Lausanne, University of Leeds, University of New Hampshire, University of Melbourne, University of Toulouse

*Scholarly Associations:*

University Conference of Western Switzerland (CUSO), member Scientific Board

*External Examining:*

Undergraduate: Cardiff University (2017-2021)

MPhil/PhD: Ecole Normale Supérieure, Macquarie University, Tel Aviv University, Victoria University of Wellington, University of Brighton, University of Copenhagen, University of Canterbury, University of Edinburgh, University of Hong Kong, University of Lancaster, University of Salzburg, University of São Paulo, University of Sheffield

*Conference Abstract Review:*

American Association of Applied Linguistics, International Conference on Language and Variation in Europe, International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, International Gender and Language Association, Language in the Media, Lavender Languages & Linguistics, Linguistics Society of America, New Ways of Analyzing Variation, Sociolinguistics Symposium, UK Language Variation and Change

*International Conference Organizing:*

New Ways of Analyzing Variation 34 (2005); UK Language Variation and Change 12 (2019); International Gender and Language Association 11 (2021), Swiss Association for Applied Linguistics (VALS-ASLA) 2024

*Workshops, Lecture Series and Public Outreach Events:*

Landscapes of Inclusion: Linguistic Diversity in Switzerland (Public Outreach Event: Zurich, November 2023)  
*sponsored and hosted by Landesmuseum Zürich*

Gender and the Politics of Fear (Roundtable Discussion and Workshop: Bern, October 2023)

*sponsored by the UNIBE Faculty of Humanities Dean's Strategic Research Fund (CHF 17'000)*

Critical Disability Studies (Lecture Series: Bern, Fall 2023)

*funded by: University of Bern Equal Opportunities Commission (CHF 17'500)*

Languages and Lives in Deaf Communities (Public Workshop: Bern, November 2022)

*funded by: Max Bircher Stiftung (CHF 15'000), Swiss National Science Foundation (CHF 10'000), Paul Hess Stiftung (CHF 10'000), City of Bern Division for Education, Social Affairs and Sport (CHF 7'500), University of Bern Equal Opportunities Commission (CHF 5'000), University of Bern Humanities Strategic Research Fund (CHF 5'000), Migros Engagement Fund (CHF 5'000), Burgergemeinde Bern (CHF 3'000), sonos Swiss Association for the Hearing Impaired (CHF 2'000)*

Language and Social Justice (Lecture Series: Bern, Fall 2021)

*funded by: University of Bern Equal Opportunities Commission (CHF 5'000)*

Women's Voices (Public Outreach Campaign: Switzerland, Summer/Fall 2021)

*funded by: Beer-Brawand Fund (CHF 7'500)*

Language and Harm (Public Outreach Event: Bern, November 2021)

*funded by: Burgergemeinde Bern (CHF 3'000), BEKB Förderfonds (CHF 3'500)*

## Professional Affiliations

International Gender and Language Association; Linguistics Society of America; Schweizerische Sprachwissenschaftliche Gesellschaft/Société Suisse de Linguistique; Vereinigung für Angewandte Linguistik in der Schweiz/ Association Suisse de Linguistique Appliquée; Swiss Association of University Teachers of English; Swiss Association for Gender Studies

## Research Supervision

### *Postdoctoral:*

Zhang Liang (University of Bern, 03.2022-05.2024)

Matthew Hadodo (University of Bern, 02.2021-01.2023)

Christoph Neuenschwander (University of Bern, 01-12.2021)

Christian Ilbury (Queen Mary University of London, 09.2019-06.2020)

Rosemary Hall (Queen Mary University of London, 09.2019-10.2020)

Yang Ye (Queen Mary University of London, 09.2018-08.2020)

Amanda Cardoso (Queen Mary University of London, 09.2018-08.2019)

### *PhD:*

Hasitha Pathirana: *Same-sex desire and imagining the nation in Sri Lanka*

Lena Stückler: *Die sprachliche Variation in der Kreolsprache Unserdeutsch*

Liam O'Hare: *Language, identity, and the internet in Japan*

Pedro Lima: *“I sound adé, yet I’m thought to be gay”*: The role of language in the production of gender and sexuality in Candomblé (degree awarded 2023)

Sandra Widmer: *Dialekt und Hochdeutsch in der Schweizer Aphasiediagnostik* (degree awarded 2023)

Adrian Yip: *Connecting the dots in the new media: Corpus-assisted critical discourse analysis of gender representations in professional tennis* (degree awarded 2022)

Scott Lewis: *Phonetic drift: The impact of relocation on speech production* (degree awarded 2022)

Elvis Coimbra Gomes: *Normative regulations of discourses about misunderstood sexual obsessions: A netnographic supported corpus linguistic study* (degree awarded 2021)

Stamatina Katsiveli-Siachou: *The interrelation between sexual and national identity construction in talk: Evidence from Greek LGBTQI communities in Greece and in the UK* (degree awarded 2021)

Elisa Passoni: *How gender is expressed in bilingual speech: Indexing gender in the languages of Japanese-English late sequential bilinguals* (degree awarded 2021)

Rosie Oxbury: *Diffusion and the Feature Pool in the Development of Multicultural (London) English* (degree awarded 2020)

Christian Ilbury: *‘Beyond the Offline’: Social Media and the Social Meaning of Variation in East London* (degree awarded: 2019)

Nathan Young: *Style and stratification in late-modern Stockholm* (degree awarded: 2019)

Zoe Adams: *Attitudes to dialect variation in Britain* (degree awarded: 2019)

Annette Zhao: *Accent variation and new social identities in Beijing* (degree awarded: 2017)

Pavadee Saisuwan: *Language and male femininity in Thailand* (degree awarded: 2016)

John Weston: *The linguistic construction of epistemological difference* (degree awarded: 2014)

Barbara Clark: *Sociolinguistic examination of flight attendant identity construction* (degree awarded: 2012)

MA:

Justyna King: *Narrating subjective coherence among queer Catholics in Poland*

Kristelle Plüss: *Language contact and language attitudes in the Canton of Graubünden*

Elijah King: *“You have to bring the party”*: Expressions of Manx queer identities in Manx English (degree awarded 2024)



Sereina Waldis: *Auf den Spuren des Burgerdialekts: Wie sprechen Berner Burger:innen heute?* (degree awarded 2024)

Sandra Gühr: *Migrant:innen und die Deutschschweizer Diglossiesituation* (degree awarded 2023)

Ella Spadaro: *L'identité linguistique de la Suisse romande* (degree awarded 2023)

Olivia Schär: *Judging First Nations Englishes: The Influence of Social Information on Anglo Canadians' Linguistic Attitudes Toward First Nations English Dialects* (degree awarded: 2022)

Luna Hannappel: *Die diskursive Konstruktion nationaler Identität in der Deutschschweizer Abstimmungsdebatte um die Ehe für alle* (degree awarded: 2022)

Debora Haller: *Evidence for the Use of High Rising Terminals in Swiss German: Intonational Variation, Social Interaction und Gender* (degree awarded: 2022)

Anna Janka: *Von Landsmänninnen und Lehrkörpern: Gruppenbenennungen in den schweizerischen Bundesratsprotokollen von 1848 bis 1963* (degree awarded: 2022)

Anna Witschi: *Stimmhafte Lenisplosive im Sprachgebrauch Berner Jugendlicher: Eine empirische Untersuchung ihres Auftretens und ihrer sozialen Bedeutung* (degree awarded: 2021)

Célia Richy: *Regional variation and the commodification of language in southwest France* (degree awarded: 2020)

Rhona Graham: *Sexism, transphobia and attitudes to singular 'they' in Britain* (degree awarded: 2020)

Kate Moore: *Longitudinal stylistic variation and changing presentations of self* (degree awarded: 2015)

Christian Ilbury: *Stylistic variation, internal constraints and the appropriation of AAE* (degree awarded: 2015)

Harry Kennard: *Setting a Standard: Accent reduction and voice in London* (degree awarded: 2014)

Sophie Lawrence: *Lesbian language: The influence of "butch" and "lipstick" identity on the linguistic behaviour of a lesbian community* (degree awarded: 2014)

Chiara Marchetti: *Sexuality, stereotypes and speech perception in women's speech* (degree awarded: 2014)

Danniella Samos: *A corpus-based analysis of discourses of same-sex marriage in the UK House of Commons* (degree awarded: 2013)

Morena de Jesus Oliveira: *The representation of foreign-accented English in Disney animated films* (degree awarded: 2013)

John Weston: *Language and epistemology: Variation and discourses of science* (degree awarded: 2009)