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Academic Positions

2008 (Jan) – present    Lecturer in Linguistics  
School of Languages, Linguistics & Film  
Queen Mary, University of London

Education

2002-2008    Ph.D., Linguistics, **New York University**  
Dissertation title: *National Discord: Language, Sexuality and the Politics of Belonging in Israel*.  
Dissertation committee: Renée Blake (chair), Rudolf Gaudio, Gregory Guy, Don Kulick, John Singler

2006-2007    Jewish and Israeli Studies, École Pratique des Hautes Études, **Sorbonne**  
Esther Benbassa, advisor

2000-2002    M.A., Linguistics, **New York University**  
M.A. thesis title: *Style and Mosaic Identity: Phonological Variation and Reform American Judaism*

1996-2000    B.A., Linguistics and French, **University of California Los Angeles**  
*magna cum laude*

1998-1999    Sociolinguistics, Queen Mary, **University of London**  
Jennifer Chesire, advisor

Publications

“Définitions et méthodes d’approche des minorités sexuelles,” in Laithier, S. & V. Vilmain (eds.), *L’Histoire des Minorités est-elle une Histoire Marginale?* Paris : Presse Universitaire de Paris-Sorbonne, forthcoming, 2008. [in French]

“Sexuality in context: Variation and the sociolinguistic perception of identity,” *Language in Society* 36: 533-554, 2007.

“Hearing ‘gay’: Prosody, interpretation and the affective judgments of men’s speech,” *American Speech* 81: 56-78, 2006.

Publications (continued)

- “Mosaic identity and style: Phonological variation among Reform American Jews,” *Journal of Sociolinguistics* 10: 185-205, 2006.
- “English VP-preposing and relative scope” (with Thomas Leu & Laura Dorfman), in van Koppen M., J. Sio, & M. de Vos (eds.), *Selected Proceedings of ConSOLE XI*. Leiden: SOLE, 2003.
- “Review of Hulk, A. & J-Y Pollock (2001) *Subject inversion and the theory of Universal Grammar*,” *GLOT International* 7:3, 1-4, 2003.
- “On triggered inversion in Hebrew,” in van Koppen, M., E.J. van der Torre, & M. Zimmerman (eds.), *Selected Proceedings of ConSOLE X*. Leiden: SOLE, 127-142, 2001.

Selected Conference Presentations

- “Prosodic variation and style in Gay Israeli speech: Context, politics and motivation,” Linguistics Society of America (LSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, January 2008.
- “Sexual subjectivities and narratives of belonging in Israel,” American Anthropological Association (AAA) Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., November 2007.
- “National discord: Language style and the politics of sexuality in Israel,” New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 36, University of Pennsylvania, October 2007.
- “Politically speaking: Prosodic variation among gay men in Israel,” International Gender and Language Association (IGALA) 4, University of Valencia, November 2006.
- “Contingent sexuality: Variation and the sociolinguistic perception of identity,” SouthEastern Conference on Linguistics (SECOL) 72, North Carolina State University, April 2005.
- “Gay prosody: Perception and the linguistic envelope of variation,” Linguistics Society of America (LSA) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, January 2005.
- “Contextualized perception: A new methodology for analyzing sexuality and linguistic variation,” New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 33, University of Michigan, October 2004.
- “Contextualized identities: A Case study of Reform Jewish identity,” Israeli Association of Language and Society (IALS) 2, Beit Berl College, Israel, June 2004.
- “Hearing gay: Prosody, interpretation and the affective judgments of men’s speech,” International Gender and Language Association (IGALA) 3, Cornell University, June 2004.
- “Examining a gay prosody: Issues in theory, methodology and identity,” Lavender Languages and Linguistics XI, American University, Washington, D.C., February 2004.
- “Negotiating Reform Jewish identity in New York City,” Association of Jewish Studies, Boston, December 2003.
- “Linguistic style and Mosaic identity: Phonological variation and Reform American Judaism,” New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 32, University of Pennsylvania, October 2003.

Invited Talks

- “Sexuality, nationalism and the politics of identity in Israel,” Centre for Gender Studies, School of Oriental and Asian Studies (SOAS), University of London, May 2008.
- “Who speaks more standard?: Gender and ideologies of language,” Guest lecturer for Sex, Gender and Language course (Anthropology), Hunter College, October 2007.
- “Définitions et méthodes d’approche des minorités sexuelles: Le cas d’Israël [Definitions and methods for studying sexual minorities: The case of Israel],” Centre d’Histoire Moderne et Contemporaine des Juifs, La Sorbonne (Paris), May 2007.

Invited Talks (continued)

“Homosexualité et le monde juif au 20e siècle [Homosexuality and the Jewish world in the 20th century],” Department of Religious Studies, École Pratique des Hautes Études, La Sorbonne (Paris), March 2007.

“Citizenship and queer theory: Negotiating frameworks and methodologies,” Working Group in Queer Theory, Tel Aviv University, April 2006.

Awards, Grants, Honors

International Dissertation Research Fellowship (Israel), Social Science Research Council, 2005-2006

Torch Fellowship (field research in Israel), New York University, 2005-2006

Henry MacCracken Fellowship, New York University, 2000-2005

Max Talmey Award (field research in Israel), 2003

Pre-Doctoral Fellowship (field research in Israel), New York University, 2003

Outstanding Teaching Award, New York University, 2003

Phi Beta Kappa, inducted 2000

Departmental Honors, Linguistics, University of California Los Angeles, 2000

G & M Ball Scholarship, University of California Los Angeles, 1999-2000

Golden Key National Honor Society, 1999-2000

Regents Scholar, University of California, 1998-2000

Atlantic Richfield National Merit Scholarship, 1996-2000

Lambda Alumni Scholar, University of California, 1998-1999

Honors Collegium, University of California Los Angeles, 1996-1998

Alumni Scholar, University of California, 1996-1997

Teaching Experience

2008, Spring	Instructor, Language and Gender, Queen Mary, University of London
2008, Spring	Instructor, Linguistics Research Project, Queen Mary, University of London
2005, Spring	Instructor, Bilingualism, New York University
2004, Fall	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Linguistics, New York University
2003, Fall	Instructor, Structure of English Vocabulary, New York University
2003, Spring	Instructor, Sex, Gender and Language, New York University
2002, Fall	Teaching Assistant/Substitute Instructor, Semantics, New York University
2002, Summer	Instructor, Introduction to Linguistics, New York University
2001, Fall	Preceptor, Language of America's Ethnic Minorities, New York University
2001-2002, Summer	Instructor, Etymologies, Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth

Research Interests

Sociolinguistic Variation; Language and Gender; Language Style; Linguistic Methodologies; Israel/Palestine; the Middle East

Professional Service

Coordinator, Linguistics Undergraduate Admissions, Queen Mary, University of London, 2008 - present

Coordinator, New Ways of Analyzing Variation (NWAV) 34, 2003-2005

Organizing Committee, Novel Data Workshop, New York University, 2003-2004

Chairperson, Organizing Committee, CUNY/SUNY/NYU Linguistics Conference, 2002

President, New York University Linguistics Graduate Student Association, 2001-2003

Professional Affiliations

Linguistics Society of America; American Anthropological Association; International Gender and Language Association; Israeli Association for the Study of Language and Society

Language Proficiencies

English (native)  
Hebrew (highly proficient)  
French (highly proficient)  
Italian (proficient)

Professional References

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