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Education

Ph.D. in Linguistics

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST

Amherst, MA, USA

Sep 2022 - Present

Master's Degree in Linguistics

MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND

St. John's, NL, Canada

Sep 2019 - Aug 2021

- MA Thesis: Broken Plural Formation in Moroccan Arabic: A Stratal OT Account
- Advisor: Dr. Sara Mackenzie

Teaching Skills Enhancement Program

MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND

St. John's, NL, Canada

Sep 2020 - Apr 2021

- Program Facilitator: Dr. Daphne Crane

Bachelor's Degree in English Studies (Major: Linguistics)

UNIVERSITY OF MOHAMMED V

Rabat, Morocco

Sep 2016 - Jul 2019

- BA Research Supervisor: Dr. Abdellatif Al Ghadi

Post-secondary Diploma in IT Development

SPECIALIZED INSTITUTE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY

Temara, Morocco

Sep 2011 - Jul 2013

- Final Project Supervisor: Adnane Zoubir

Research Interests

Primary **Phonological/morphological theory, computational phonology, Moroccan Arabic**

Secondary **Syntax, experimental and corpus linguistics**

Publications

Nirheche, Ali. 2021. Broken plural formation in Moroccan Arabic: a stratal optimality theory account. Masters thesis, Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Presentations

Nirheche, Ali. 2024. Distance-based sibilant harmony in Moroccan Arabic. Presented at the 37th Annual Symposium on Arabic Linguistics at Long Island University, Brooklyn, NY.

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant

*University of Massachusetts
Amherst*

PHONOLOGY (LING-402)

Sep 2023 - Dec 2023

- Responsibilities: Holding office hours, grading weekly assignments, mid-term exam, and final examinations.

Teaching Assistant

University of Ottawa

PHONOLOGY (LING-2320)

Jan 2021 - Apr 2021

- Responsibilities: Leading discussion groups, grading weekly assignments, mid-term exam, and final examinations.

Co-Instructor

Memorial University of NL

INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS (LING-1100)

Jan 2021 - Apr 2021

- Responsibilities: Teaching synchronous and asynchronous classes, leading discussion groups, grading weekly assignments, mid-term exam, and final examinations.

Teaching Assistant

Memorial University of NL

ADVANCED PHONOLOGY (LING-4203)

Sep 2020 - Dec 2020

- Responsibilities: Grading weekly assignments, mid-term exam, and final examinations.

Teaching Assistant

Memorial University of NL

PHONETICS (LING-3104)

Jan 2020 - Apr 2020

- Responsibilities: Grading weekly assignments, mid-term exam, and final examinations.

Research Experience

Research Assistant

UMass Amherst

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR: DR. JOE PATER

Jan 2024 - May 2024

- Project: Learning Stress with Feet and Grids

Research Assistant

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Aug 2022 - Sep 2022

- Project: Learning Stress with Feet and Grids

Research Assistant

Memorial University of NL

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR: DR. SARA MACKENZIE

Apr 2020 - Aug 2020

- Project: The implications of contrastive models of phonological representations for constraint-based models of phonological operations with an emphasis on the notion of structure preservation.

Research Assistant

Memorial University of NL

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR: DR. PHIL BRANIGAN

Jan 2020 - Apr 2020

- Project: Morphosyntax of Innu-aimun

Additional Work Experience

Online Tutor

Remote

SUPER PROF

Oct 2019 - Present

- Responsibilities: Offering online sessions in English and different areas of linguistics to undergraduate students of English and linguistics.

Translator/Interpreter

St. John's, CA

ASSOCIATION FOR NEW CANADIANS

Apr 2020 - Apr 2021

- Responsibilities: Facilitating communication between newcomers and the association employees by interpreting, translating and re-communicating both verbal and written messages from English into Arabic and vice-versa.

IT Technician

NAMAE ACADEMY

Rabat, MA

Oct 2015 - Jun 2016

- Responsibilities: Managing an e-learning website by publishing content related to the field of humanities and social sciences.

Languages ---

English

FLUENT

- Spoken and written

Arabic

FLUENT

- Spoken and written

French

BASIC

- Reading knowledge, improving writing and speaking abilities

Skills ---

Programming Languages

PYTHON, R, JAVASCRIPT

Other Software

PRAAT, JASP, LATEX