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Research Interests: syntax, syntax-semantics, architecture of grammar.

Specific research interests: long-distance dependencies, movement, successive-cyclicity, A vs A-bar; argument structure, raising and control; speaker variation; grammaticality illusions.

EDUCATION

- 2016–present PhD student, [Department of Linguistics](#), University of Maryland, College Park
Advisors: [Norbert Hornstein](#) and [Howard Lasnik](#)
Expected completion: Summer 2021
- 2013–2016 M.A. Linguistics, University of Leipzig
Thesis in syntax: *Expressive Agreement in Italian*
Supervisors: [Gereon Müller](#) and [Doreen Georgi](#)
- 2010–2013 B.A. Linguistics, University of Leipzig
Thesis in syntax: *On the Person-Case Constraint: From the Giga to the Zero Version with Copy, Impoverishment and Check*
Supervisors: [Gereon Müller](#) and [Andreas Opitz](#)

SUMMER SCHOOLS

- 2014 Eastern Generative Grammar (EGG) Summer School in Debrecen, Hungary
2013 Eastern Generative Grammar (EGG) Summer School in Wrocław, Poland

AWARDS

- 2016–2021 Graduate Assistantship, University of Maryland at College Park
2016–2021 [Flagship Fellowship](#), University of Maryland at College Park
2016–2019 Outstanding Scholars Program fellowship, University of Connecticut (declined)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

- 2016 Max-Planck-Institute for Human Cognitive and Brain Sciences in Leipzig, [Department of Neuropsychology](#)
Project: Continuation of an internship project – writing scripts (Bash) for pre-processing of resting state fMRI data as part of a project looking at the functional connectivity in resting state data of 5 and 8 y.o. children with dyslexia
Supervisor: [Michael Skeide](#)
- 2014–2016 IGRA graduate school of the Department of Linguistics, University of Leipzig
Projects: independent research regarding issues of Minimality related to a particular DP-internal agreement pattern with expressive nouns in Italian; independent research on the challenges of verb clefting in the Italian dialect of Tieser for a unified theory of verb clefting
Supervisor: [Gereon Müller](#)

2012–2014 DFG (German national science foundation) Project ‘Argument encoding in Morphology and Syntax’, University of Leipzig
Projects: independent research regarding the challenges of the agreement patterns of the language Kambera for a unified theory of the Person-Case Constraint; independent research on Person-Case effects in German
Supervisor: Gereon Müller

INTERNSHIPS

2015 Max-Planck-Institute for Human Cognitive and Brain Sciences in Leipzig, Department of Neuropsychology
Supervisor: Michael Skeide

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLES

u. review (with Sandhya Sundaresan) ‘Proxy Control: Extending Control Typology in Grammar’. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

2017 (with Sandhya Sundaresan) ‘Proxy Control: A New Form of Control in Grammar’. In: N. Brandel, ed., *Proceedings of IATL 2016. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics 86*.
2017 (with Sandhya Sundaresan) ‘Proxy Control: Extending the Typology of Control in Grammar’. In: M. Y. Erlewine and Y. Sato, eds., *Proceedings of GLOW Asia XI, Volume 1. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics 84*.
2016 ‘Agree and Minimality in the DP: The challenge from the Cazzo-of-N construction in Italian’. In: K. Barnickel et al., eds., *Proceedings of ConSOLE XXIV in York*, pp. 88–111.
2014 ‘The Super-Strong Person-Case Constraint: Scarcity of Resources by Scale-Driven Impoverishment’. In: M. Kohlberger et al., eds., *Proceedings of ConSOLE XXII in Lisbon*, pp. 58–80.

WORKING PAPERS

2016 ‘Noun Formation by Verb Reduplication in Italian’. In: K. Barnickel et al., eds., *Linguistische Arbeitsberichte 93*. University of Leipzig, pp. 215–227.
2016 (with Sandhya Sundaresan) ‘Proxy Control: A New Species of Obligatory Control Under Modality’. In: K. Barnickel et al., eds., *Linguistische Arbeitsberichte 93*. University of Leipzig, pp. 447–482.
2013 ‘The Super-Strong Person-Case Constraint: Scarcity of Resources through Scale-Driven Impoverishment’. In: F. Heck and A. Assmann, eds., *Linguistische Arbeitsberichte 90*. University of Leipzig, pp. 177–201.

PRESENTATIONS

TALKS

2019 (Upcoming:) ‘Wh-quantifier float in German’. NELS50, MIT.
2017 (with Sandhya Sundaresan) ‘Proxy Control: Extending the Typology of Control in Grammar’. GLOW in Asia XI, Singapore.
2016 (with Sandhya Sundaresan) ‘Proxy Control: A New Form of Control in Grammar’. IATL 32, Hebrew University, Jerusalem.
2016 (with Sandhya Sundaresan) ‘Covert Pronouns in Modal Infinitives License Deep Subject Control in Passives and Proxy Control’. Pronouns: Morphosyntax, Semantics and Processing (PMSSP) in Salvador, Brazil.

- 2014 'Hard and Soft Person-Case Constraints'. Comparative Germanic Syntax Workshop (CGSW) 29 in York, UK.
- 2013 'The Super-Strong Person-Case Constraint: Scarcity of Resources by Scale-Driven Impoverishment'. Annual Meeting of the DGfS (German Linguistics Association) in Potsdam, Germany. Workshop 'Interaction of Syntactic Primitives'.

POSTERS

- 2016 (with [Sandhya Sundaresan](#)) 'Proxy Control'. CGSW 31, Stellenbosch University, South Africa.
- 2016 'The *Cazzo*-of-N Construction and its Non-Minimal Agreement Pattern in Italian'. ConSOLE XXIV in York, UK.
- 2014 'The Super-Strong Person-Case Constraint: Scarcity of Resources by Scale-Driven Impoverishment' (Poster). ConSOLE XXII in Lisbon, Portugal.

INVITED TALKS

- 2017 'Wh-quantifier floating in German'. Institut für Linguistik, University of Leipzig
- 2016 (with [Sandhya Sundaresan](#)) 'Proxy Control'. Zentrum für Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaften (ZAS) in Berlin.

TEACHING

- 2019, Fall *Wh-questions around the world* (LING419W)
400-level undergraduate class, exploring the syntax of *wh*-expressions. Topics covered: *wh*-movement, *wh*-in-situ, optional *wh*-fronting, echo *wh*-questions, *wh*-scope marking and *wh*-copying; what is(n't) movement? 10 students. Fall semester. University of Maryland.

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS

Department of Linguistics, University of Maryland

- 2018, Fall *Syntax I* (LING311): grading and office hours – for Tonia Bleam
- 2018, Spring *Intro to Linguistics* (LING200): weekly discussion section, grading and office hours – for Tonia Bleam – Gen. Ed. non-majors
- 2017, Fall *Intro to Linguistics* (LING200): weekly discussion section, grading and office hours – for Margaret J. Antonisse – Gen. Ed. non-majors

Institut für Linguistik, University of Leipzig

- 2015, Fall *Intro to Linguistics*: weekly discussion section – for Fabian Heck
- 2015, Spring *Syntax I*: discussion sections – for Fabian Heck
- 2014, Fall *Intro to Linguistics*: weekly discussion section, designed mock exam – for Gereon Müller
- 2014, Spring *Formal Semantics*: weekly discussion section and grading – for Sandhya Sundaresan
- 2013, Fall *Intro to Language Typology*: weekly discussion section – for Barbara Stiebels
- 2012, Fall *Intro to Linguistics*: weekly discussion section – for Gereon Müller
- 2011, Fall *Phonology*: weekly discussion section, grading, designed mock exam questions – for Anke Assmann-Himmelreich

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

REVIEWING

- 2016 Reviewer for *Glossa*
- 2016 Abstract reviewer for ConSOLE 25

CONFERENCES

- 2017 Organizing committee for Semantics and Linguistic Theory ([SALT 27](#)) at the University of Maryland, College Park
- 2016 Organizing committee for Studentische Tagung für Sprachwissenschaften ([STuTS](#)) 59 in Leipzig (linguistics student conference)
- 2011 Organizing committee for Studentische Tagung für Sprachwissenschaften ([STuTS](#)) 49 in Leipzig (linguistics student conference)

COMMITTEE WORK

- 2019–
2017– Co-chair of the Outreach Committee, [Language Science Center](#), University of Maryland
- 2017– Member of the Outreach Committee, [Language Science Center](#), University of Maryland
Activities: co-organizer for local test site for [NACLO](#), the North American Computational Linguistics Olympiad; volunteer running demos at various on- and off-campus outreach events.
- 2017 Member of the planning committee for [Language Science Day](#)
- 2016–2017 Member of the Professional Development Committee, Language Science Center, University of Maryland

REPRESENTATION

- 2019– Dean’s Graduate Advisory Board, College of Arts and Humanities, University of Maryland
- 2017–2019 Graduate Student Representative for the Graduate Student Government ([GSG](#)), University of Maryland
- 2017–2018 Co-Chair of the Linguistics Graduate Student Assembly (LGSA), University of Maryland
- 2015–2016 Member of Fachschaftsrat Linguistik (FaRaLing), the students’ council for the Department of Linguistics, University of Leipzig
- 2014 Search committee member for W2 Heisenberg Professorship for theoretical phonology in Leipzig

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- 2018– Member of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA)

LANGUAGES

Native: Italian, German; **Fluent:** English; **Moderate:** French, Spanish; **Basic/Research:** Hausa, Russian, Latin, Mandarin Chinese, Sanskrit.

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Advanced: Latex; **Basic:** Unix, Bash, Matlab, Freesurfer, ITK-Snap, ePrime.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full name: Aaron Gianmaria Gabriel Doliana
Nationality: Dual Nationality – German & Italian
US Visa: F1 Student visa