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**Research Interests:** syntax, architecture of grammar, speaker variation.

*Specific research interests:* long-distance dependencies, successive-cyclicity; minimality; quantifier float; raising and control; speaker variation; acceptability vs grammaticality.

## EDUCATION

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- 2016– **PhD in 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

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

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

- 2016 **Max-Planck-Institute for Human Cognitive and Brain Sciences** 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**  
*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 Tiezer for a unified theory of verb clefting

Supervisor: Gereon Müller

2012–2014 **DFG Project ‘Argument encoding in Morphology and Syntax’** (German national science foundation)

*Department of Linguistics, University of Leipzig*

*Projects:* guided 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** Leipzig,

*Department of Neuropsychology*

Supervisor: Michael Skeide

#### PUBLICATIONS

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##### JOURNAL ARTICLES

submitted (with Hisao Kurokami) ‘Rethinking Phase-Based Minimality: Scrambling Does not Obviate Intervention in Japanese Object Honorification’. *Linguistic Inquiry Squibs*.

u. review ‘Wh-Quantifier Float in German’. *Syntax*.

2021 (with Sandhya Sundaresan) ‘Proxy Control: A New Species of Control in Grammar’. *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*.

##### CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

2020 ‘Wh-Quantifier Float in German’. In: M. Asatryan, Y. Song, A. Whitmal, eds., *Proceedings of NELS50*.

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. Bellamy 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

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### TALKS

- 2019 ‘Wh-Quantifier Float in German Diagnoses  $\bar{A}$ -traces and Successive Cyclicity in vP’. NELS 50, MIT.
- 2019 ‘Wh-Quantifier Float in German’. ECO-5, University of Maryland.
- 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

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*Department of Linguistics, University of Maryland*

### INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD

- 2019, Fall *Wh-questions around the world* (LING419W): An overview of the syntax of various constructions for constituent questions (wh-movement, wh-in-situ, multiple-wh questions, echo wh-questions) and issues surrounding these phenomena (scope and covert movement, successive cyclicity, superiority, partial movement, cross-linguistic variation viewed through the Wh-Criterion and Wh-Parameter).

### TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS

- 2020, Spring *Syntax II* (LING312): grading and office hours – for Omer Preminger  
 2019, Spring *Phonology I* (LING321): grading and office hours – for Margaret J. Antonisse  
 2018, Fall *Syntax I* (LING311): grading and office hours; guest lecture on V2 and remnant movement in German – 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*

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS

- 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

SERVICE

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REVIEWING

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

CONFERENCES

- 2020 Organizing committee for Mayfest 2020 (canceled due to COVID-19 pandemic)  
 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 AT MARYLAND

- 2019– Member of the Colloquium Committee, Linguistics Department.  
 2019–2020 Co-chair of the Outreach Committee, [Language Science Center](#)  
 2017– Member of the Outreach Committee, [Language Science Center](#)  
 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, for example [AAAS Family Science Days](#) and [Science Storytellers](#) in Seattle, WA in 2020.  
 2017 Member of the planning committee for [Language Science Day](#)  
 2016–2017 Member of the Professional Development Committee, Language Science Center

## REPRESENTATION

- 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

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

## LANGUAGES

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

## SOFTWARE/PLATFORM SKILLS

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

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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

## REFERENCES

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Howard Lasnik University of Maryland, College Park; [lasnik@umd.edu](mailto:lasnik@umd.edu)