Curriculum vitae of
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PERSONAL DETAILS

DOB: January 18, 1977

Place of birth: El Paso / Texas / United States

Citizenship: German

EXAMS

2010   PhD in General Linguistics at Kiel University
                Thesis: *Animacy and Referentiality in Vera'a*

2006   Magister artium in General and Comparative Linguistics at Kiel University
            (minors: 1. Slavic Studies; 2. German Literature)
            Thesis: *Nominalisierung im Russischen aus sprachtypologischer*
                    Perspektive (‚Nominalisation in Russian in a Typological
                    Perspective')

1996   Abitur (High school exam) (Latinum)

from Nov 2018	Lehrstuhl für Allgemeine Sprachwisenschaft Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg Lecturer in Linguistics (akademischer Rat auf Zeit)
Aug 2015 – Aug 2018	School of Languages and Linguistics & ARC Centre of Excellence for the Dynamics of Language The University of Melbourne Postdoctoral Fellow in Linguistics Project: *Developing cross-language corpora from documentations of diverse languages of the Pacific region*
Apr 2014 - Jul 2014	Chair for General Linguistics, Otto-Friedrich-Universität zu Bamberg Visiting Lecturer/Researcher (full-time)
Apr 2012 - Aug 2015	Centre for Research on Language Diversity, La Trobe University, Melbourne ARC DECRA Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Linguistics Project: *Typology of language use: quantitative investigations of texts from endangered languages*
Jan 2011 – Mar 2012	Departement of General and Comparative Linguistics, Kiel University Lecturer/Researcher (Assistant Professor) (full-time)
Nov 2010 - Dec 2010	Department of General Linguistics, Otto-Friedrich-Universität Researcher
Apr 2010 – Dec 2010	Departement of General and Comparative Linguistics, Kiel University Lecturer (half-time position)
Nov 2009 - Mar 2010	DoBeS project "Documentation of Vera'a and Vurës, the two surviving endangered languages of Vanua Lava, Vanuatu" (www.mpi.nl/DOBES/projects/vures_veraa/)

Researcher

Oct 2007 – Sep 2009	Departement of General and Comparative Linguistics, Kiel University Part-time lecturer
Nov 2006 – Oct 2009	DoBeS project "Documentation of Vera'a and Vurës, the two surviving endangered languages of Vanua Lava, Vanuatu" PhD student, VW PhD Scholarship
Apr 2000 – Sep 2004 (except Oct 2001 – Sep 2002)	Chair of Slavic Linguistics, Kiel University Student assistant tutoring of the recurrent course „Introduction to Slavic Linguistics"

At the Department of General and Comparative Linguistics at Kiel University, I was coordinator of the BA programme and BA examinations in *Empirical Linguistics* (2010-2012) and designed a new MA program in *Language and Variation* (winter 2011/12) together with Prof John Peterson.

SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

Oct 2017 – Sept 2018	(with Eva Schultze-Berndt, Rachel Nordlinger, Delia Bantley, Ruth Singer) Information packaging in corpora of lesser studied languages: theoretical and methodological advances (The Manchester-Melbourne Humanities Consortium Fund).
2017 – 2020	(cooperating investigator) Does morphosyntactic alignment shape discourse? Applying a corpus-based approach to language typology (DFG) (CI: Geoffrey Haig).
2017 – 2019	(co-applicant) Cross-linguistic patterns in the encoding of three-participant events, 2. phase (VolkswagenStiftung)

(CIs: Anna Margetts, Nikolaus Himmelmann, Katharina Haude).

2013 – 2017   (co-applicant)
Cross-linguistic patterns in the encoding of three-participant events
(VolkswagenStiftung)
(CIs: Anna Margetts, Nikolaus Himmelmann, Katharina Haude).

2012 – 2015   (co-applicant)
Referentiality (PI: Prif. Dr. Christian Lehmann (Erfurt University))

2012 - 2015   Typology of language use: quantitative investigations of texts from
endangered languages
Australian Research Council Discovery Early Career Researcher
Award

2012-2013   (on behalf of CRLD)
Developing and analysing complex cross-linguistic data sets from
endangered language documentations
LTU eResearch Grant

2012 - 2013   (with Geoffrey Haig, Anna Margetts, Howard Manns):
Cross-corpus investigations of pronominal reference
Australian-German Go8/DAAD Joint Research Co-operation grant
Travel expenses and per diems for two trips of one month each by
each researcher

2006 - 2009   VolkswagenStiftung PhD Scholarship

2003   Kiel University
Travel stipend, 'Conference of Young Philologists' at Tartu State
University (Estonia)

2001/02   Kiel University
Exchange student at Irkutsk State University (Russian Federation)

2000	Kiel University
	Travel stipend & Russian language course at Kaliningrad State
	University (Russian Federation)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association for Linguistic Typology

Gesellschaft für Bedrohte Sprachen

PUBLICATION RECORD

MONOGRAPH

2011	*A grammar of Vera'a, an Oceanic language of North Vanuatu.*
	Department of General Linguistics. Kiel University. (Druckreife Version
	der Dissertation von 2010)
	([available at:
	https://www.academia.edu/2317752/Schnell_2011_A_grammar_of_Vera
	a_an_Oceanic_language_of_North_Vanuatu)

EDITED VOLUMES

2015	(with Alexandre Francois, Sebastien Lacrampe, Mike Franjieh). *Studies in*
	the languages of Vanuatu. Studies in the Languages of Island Melanesia
	2. Pacific Linguistics. A.N.U. Canberra.

2011	(with Geoffrey L. J. Haig, Nicole Nau, Claudia Wegener). *Documenting*
	endangered languages: achievements and perspectives. Berlin – New
	York: Mouton de Gruyter.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

| invited resub | Revisiting information management in intransitive subjects. |
| | *Pragmatics* |

| accepted | Reflections on utilizations of language in linguistic research. Invited |

contribution to *Reflections on Language Documentation on the 20 year anniversary of Himmelmann 1998* edited by Andrea L. Berez-Kroker, Bradley McDonnell, Gary Holton. *Language Documentation & Conservation.*

2018   Attention focus and information packaging in Vera'a demonstratives. In *Information structure in Austronesian languages*, edited by Sonja Riesberg & Asako Shiohara, Berlin: Language Science Press.

2018   (with Danielle Barth)
              Discourse motivations for pronominal and zero objects across genres in Vera'a
              Language Variation & Change 30.1, 51-81.

              Whence subject-verb agreement? Investigating the role of topicality, accessibility, and frequency in Vera'a texts. *Linguistics* 56.4, 735-780.
              DOI: https://doi.org/10.1515/ling-2018-0010

              (with Nils Schiborr)
              Corpus-based typological research in discourse and grammar. GRAID and Multi-CAST. *Asian and African Languages and Linguistics* 12, 1-16.

2017   (with Tim Brickell) Do grammatical relations reflect information status? Reassessing Preferred Argument Structure against discourse data from Tondano. *Linguistic Typology* 21.1, 177-209

2016   (with Geoffrey Haig): The discourse basis of ergativity revisited. *Language* 92.3, 591-618.

2015   (with Alexandre Francois, Sebastien Lacrampe, Mike Franjieh). The exceptional lingusitc diversity of Vanuatu. In: *Studies in the languages of Vanuatu. Studies in the Languages of Island Melanesia 2.* Pacific Linguistics. A.N.U. Canberra, 1-33.

2014   (with Geoffrey Haig): Assessing the relationship between Object
                Topicalisation and grammaticalisation of Object Agreement. In *Selected
                papers from the 44th Conference of the Australian Linguistic Society,
                2013*, edited by Lauren Gawne and Jill Vaughan
                http://dtl.unimelb.edu.au/

                Towards understanding information structure in Vera'a. In *Proceedings of the
                International Workshop on Information Structure of Austronesian Languages*
                edited by Asako Shiohara & Atsuko Utsumi. Tokyo University of Foreign
                Studies., 47-89.
                 http://hdl.handle.net/10108/75987

2012   Data from language documentations in research on referential hierarchies.
                In: *Potentials of Language Documentation: Methods, Analyses, and
                Utilization* edited by Frank Seifart, Geoffrey Haig, Nikolaus P.
                Himmelmann, Dagmar Jung, Anna Margetts and Paul Trilsbek. Special
                issue of *Language Documentation and Conservation No. 3.* Honolulu:
                University of Hawai'i Press., 64-72.

                Referential hierarchies in three-participant constructions in Vera'a.
                Linguistic Discovery 10.3, 125-147.

2011   (with Geoffrey Haig, Nicole Nau, Claudia Wegener). Introduction. In:
                Haig et al. (eds.). *Documenting endangered languages: achievements and
                perspectives.* Berlin – New York: Mouton de Gruyter., 1-14.

                (with Geoffrey Haig, Claudia Wegener). Comparing corpora from
                endangered language projects: Explorations in language typology based
                on original texts. In: Haig et al. (eds.). *Documenting endangered
                languages: achievements and perspectives.* Berlin – New York: Mouton
                de Gruyter., 55-86.

2009   (with Geoffrey Haig): From text to typology: towards implementing
                quantitative typology on corpora from endangered languages. *Language

Documentation and Linguistic Theory 2 edited by Peter K. Austin, Oliver Bond, Monika Chanette, David Nathan and Peter Sells. London: School of Oriental and African Studies, 117-122.

REVIEW ARTICLE

2016   Review of *Corpus-based studies of lesser-described languages: the CorpAfroAs corpus of AfroAsiatic languages* edited by Amina Mettouchi, Martine Vanhove, Dominique Caubet. Amsterdam/Philadelphia: John Benjamins. 2015. *Language Documentation and Conservation* 10.

CORPORA

in progress   (with Marc Vores, Jean-Baptiste Sigi, Purity Hope, Charity Hope, George Atkins, Sabine Hess, Kate Holmes, Raymond Ammann, Philemon Ala, Armstrong Malau, Catriona Hyslop Malau): *A multi-media documentation of Vera'a*. Nijmegen: DOBES-MPI.
http://corpus1.mpi.nl/ds/imdi_browser/?openpath=MPI649372%23

2016   (with Geoffrey Haig): *Multi-CAST: Multilingual Corpus of Annotated Spoken Texts*

Vera'a. In *Multi-CAST: Multilingual Corpus of Annotated Spoken Texts* edited by Geoffrey Haig & Stefan Schnell.
[documentation at:
https://www.academia.edu/10328494/Schnell_Stefan._2014._Veraa_annotation_notes._Implementation_of_GRAID_annotations_in_Veraa_Multi-CAST]

(with Ulrike Mosel): Teop. In *Multi-CAST: Multilingual Corpus of Annotated Spoken Texts* edited by Geoffrey Haig & Stefan Schnell.

ANNOTATION GUIDES FOR COLLABORATIVE CORPUS BUILDING

2014   (with Geoffrey Haig): Annotations using GRAID (Grammatical Relations

and Animacy in Discourse). Introduction and guidelines for annotators. Version 7.0. Available at: https://www.academia.edu/10328418/Haig_Geoff_and_Stefan_Schnell._2014._Annotations_using_GRAID_Grammatical_Relations_and_Animacy_in_Discourse_._Manual_Version_7.0

2011   (with Geoffrey Haig): Annotations using GRAID (Grammatical Relations and Animacy in Discourse). Introduction and guidelines for annotators. Version 6.0. Available at: http://vc.uni-bamberg.de/moodle/course/view.php?id=9488.

MATERIALS FOR VERA'A SPEECH COMMUNITY

2013   (dir): *Dan nime - Wokem haos - Building a house*. DVD with Bislama and English subtitles, directed by Stefan Schnell, produced by GoodEyeDeer, Newcastle (NSW).

2012   *N'erē kakaka 'a Vera'a – Ol storian blong Vera'a – Stories from the village of Vera'a*. Available at: https://www.academia.edu/6384357/Vore_s_and_Schnell_2012_Nere_kakaka_a_Veraa_-_Ol_storian_blong_Veraa_-_Stories_from_the_village_of_Veraa

FIELDWORK

Oct 2016 - Nov 2016	5 weeks fieldtrip to Vanuatu; Fieldwork on Vera'a
Mar 2016 - Apr 2016	5 weeks fieldtrip to Vanuatu; Fieldwork on Vera'a
Mar 2013 - Apr 2013	7 weeks fieldtrip to Vanuatu; Fieldwork on Vera'a
Nov 2012	4 weeks fieldtrip to Vanuatu; fieldwork on Vera'a

Nov 2008 - Feb 2009	4-month fieldtrip to Vanuatu; 3,5 months fieldwork in Vera'a village on Vanua Lava (Northern Vanuatu)
Dec 2006 - Okt 2007	10-month fieldtrip to Vanuatu; 7,5 months fieldwork in Vera'a village on Vanua Lava (Northern Vanuatu)

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

Aug 2006 – Dec 2010	PhD student in General Linguistics at the Philosophical Faculty of Kiel University Dissertation: "Animacy and Referentiality in Vera'a" Directors: Prof. Dr. U. Mosel, Prof. Dr. Geoffrey Haig
April 2006	Leipzig Spring School on Linguistic Diversity
Apr 2002 – Jul 2006	Studies in General and Comparative Linguistics, Slavic Philology, German Literature at Kiel University
Sep 2001 – Jul 2002	Studies in Russian Philology and General Linguistics at Irkutsk State University (Russian Federation) (including courses in Buryat linguistics)
Apr 1999 – Sep 2001	Studies in General and Comparative Linguistics, Slavic Philology, English Philology at Kiel University
1998/99	Studies in Philosophy, Slavic Philology, English Philology at Rostock University
Nov 1997 - Aug 1998	Ivrit (Modern Hebrew) language course on Kibbutz Meggido (Israel)

TEACHING

Semster 2 2017	*Discourse and Pragmatics* (subject coordinator, lecturer)	The University of Melbourne

Summer 2014	*Pragmatics and information structure*	Otto-Friedrich-
	Bislama: an English-lexifying contact	Universität Bamberg
	language of the South Pacific	
Winter 2011/12	*Language Typology*	Christian-Albrecht-
	Language and Society	Universität Kiel
Summer 2011	*Corpus Linguistics*	Christian-Albrecht-
	Syntax (lecture)	Universität Kiel
Winter 2010/11	*Language Typology*	Christian-Albrecht-
	Language and Society	Universität Kiel
Summer 2010	*Semantics*	Christian-Albrecht-
	Syntax (tutorial to lecture)	Universität Kiel
Summer 2009	*Semantics*	Christian-Albrecht-
		Universität Kiel
Summer 2008	*Structure of a non-Indo-European language*:	Christian-Albrecht-
	Vera'a	Universität Kiel
Winter 2007/08	*Introduction to Linguistics*	Christian-Albrecht-
	The languages of Vanuatu	Universität Kiel

In 2014, I co-organised the summer school in *Documentary Linguistics and Variationist Sociolinguistics* (with Geoff Haig, Miriam Meyerhoff, Ole Schuetzler) held at Bamberg University (30 June – 11 July 2014) (http://bamling-research.de/content/2014-dlvs_overview.html). As part of this summer school, I organized the workshop *Investigating morpho-syntactic variation in Oceanic languages*.

I have given guest lectures at Monash University (Melbourne) in *Austronesian Linguistics* and *Classics in Theoretical Linguistics* (for BA honors).

I have taught courses in language documentation fieldwork and corpus building methods together with use of recording equipment and software tools on various occasions at Kiel University, University of Newcastle, Univeristy of Hamburg, University of Melbourne.

SUPERVISION

PhD candidates at La Trobe University

2018	Chenxi (Psyche) Meng	*A grammar of Taulil (Papua New Guinea)* (external supervisor)
2015	Tim C. Brickell	*A grammar of Tondano (Sulawesi)*

(co-supervisor)

BA honours at The University of Melbourne (ongoing)

Karen Mezentsef   *Structural variation in possessive construction across Oceanic*
                         languages (working title)

BA honours at La Trobe University (completed)

Valissa Kuhlmann   *Preferred argument structure in spoken English discourse*

BA in Empirical Linguistics at Kiel University (completed)

Johanna Andrees   *Motivationen fuer bevorzugte Argumentstruktur im Deutschen*
                         (Motivations of Preferred Argument Structure in German)

Daniela Schellenbach   *Ikonizitaet in possessive Konstruktionen*
                         (Iconicity in possessive constructions)

Melanie Hoffmann   *Form, Funktion und Repraesentation von Silbenprominenz*
                         (Form, function and representation of syllabic prominence)

Svenja Gottschalk   *Bevorzugte Argumentstruktur im Kiel Korpus* (Preferred
                         Argument Structure in the Kiel Corpus)

LANGUAGES

German	native
Bislama (National language of Vanuatu), *English, Russian*	fluent (spoken & written)
French, Latin, Polish	reading knowledge
Greek (classical), *Samoan*, *Turkish*	basic reading knowledge
Vera'a (language of Vanua Lava, Vanuatu)	language under study, fluent