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Employment

- 2024– **Universität Potsdam**,
Department of Linguistics
Postdoctoral researcher (*wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter*)
- 2023 **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**,
Department of Linguistics and Philosophy
Postdoctoral associate

Education

DEGREE PROGRAMS

- 2017–2023 **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**
PhD in Linguistics
Dissertation: **ABA in multidimensional paradigms: A MAX/DEP-based account* [⟨LINK⟩](#)
- 2011–2017 **Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa**
Fully funded honors program in Linguistics
- 2014–2017 **University of Pisa**
MA in Theoretical and Applied Linguistics. Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*
Thesis: *Case decomposition meets dependent-case theories* [⟨LINK⟩](#)
- 2011–2014 **University of Pisa**
BA in Classical and Modern Philologies. Grade: 110/110 *cum laude*

EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2016–2017 **University of Geneva**. Exchange scholarship
- 2015 **University College London**. Erasmus scholarship
- 2014 **École Normale Supérieure, Paris**. Erasmus scholarship

Papers

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2025 Luke James Adamson & Stanislao Zompi. “Polite pronouns and the PCC”
Linguistic Inquiry, online early [⟨LINK⟩](#)
- 2025 Tanya Bondarenko & Stanislao Zompi. “Leftover Agreement”
Natural Language and Linguistic Theory 43: 1183–1237 [⟨LINK⟩](#)
- 2024 Stanislao Zompi. “A principled exception to the Müller-Takano Generalization”
Glossa 9(1) [⟨LINK⟩](#)

- 2023 Christos Christopoulos & Stanislo Zompì. “Taking the nominative (back) out of the accusative: Case features and the distribution of stems in Indo-European paradigms”
Natural Language and Linguistic Theory 41: 879–909 [LINK](#)
- 2019 Stanislo Zompì. “Ergative is not inherent: Evidence from *ABA in suppletion and syncretism”
Glossa 4(1) [LINK](#)

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

- in prep. Stanislo Zompì and Zhouyi Sun. “*ABA in multidimensional paradigms: An optimization-based account and its implications”
- in prep. Stanislo Zompì. “Distinctness effects in English nominals”
- under revision Timea Szarvas, Martin Salzmann, Stanislo Zompì, Rebecca Jarvis, Aron Finholt, Andreas Pregla & Doreen Georgi. “Reconstruction for variable binding in ATB-movement: Interpretive possibilities and their theoretical implications”
- under revision Enrico Flor & Stanislo Zompì. “CSC-violating head movement in English conditional inversion”

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- 2021 Tanya Bondarenko & Stanislo Zompì. “Leftover Agreement: Spelling out Kartvelian number”
In Rachel Soo *et al.* (eds.), *Proceedings of WCCFL 38*, pp. 65-73 [LINK](#)

Selected presentations

PEER-REVIEWED

- 2025 Stanislo Zompì & Zhouyi Sun. “Probing the limits of Distributed Morphology by crossing multiple *ABAs together”
Talk at *DM meets Nano*, Vienna
- 2024 Luke James Adamson & Stanislo Zompì. “Polite pronouns and the PCC”
Talk at *NELS 55*, New Haven, CT
- 2024 Stanislo Zompì & Zhouyi Sun. “*ABA in multidimensional paradigms”
Poster at *WCCFL 42*, Berkeley, CA
- 2021 Stanislo Zompì. “Distinctness effects in English nominals”
Virtual talk at *46th Incontro di Grammatica Generativa*
- 2020 Tanya Bondarenko & Stanislo Zompì. “Leftover Agreement: Spelling out Kartvelian number”
Virtual talk at *GLOW 43*; poster at *WCCFL 38*, Vancouver
- 2019 Christos Christopoulos & Stanislo Zompì. “Strong Case Containment is too strong”
Talk at *NELS 50*, Cambridge, MA
- 2019 Christos Christopoulos & Stanislo Zompì. “How to avoid disjunctions in describing Indo-European stem-allomorphy”
Talk at *Connecting Roots and Affixes*, Brno
- 2018 Stanislo Zompì. “Ergative is not inherent: Evidence from *ABA in suppletion and syncretism”
Talk at *GLOW 41*, Budapest
- 2017 Stanislo Zompì. “Qu’est-ce que *se*? A new bimorphemic analysis of Haitian *se*”
Talk at *Winter Conference of the Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics*, Austin, TX

INVITED

- 2026 “Distinctness effects in English nominals”
Guest Speaker Seminar Series. Queen Mary University of London
- 2026 “Is phi-agreement always tier-based strictly local?”
Phi & Markedness Workshop. Leibniz-Zentrum Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft, Berlin
- 2025 “From monotonicity to output-drivenness: Evidence from multidimensional (*)ABA”
[Based on joint work with Zhouyi Sun]
Colloquium, Department of Linguistics, Stony Brook University, NY
- 2024 “(*)ABA in multidimensional paradigms: A constraint-based optimization approach”
[Based on joint work with Zhouyi Sun]
CYCLOPS Colloquium, Institut für Linguistik, University of Leipzig
- 2024 “On some interactions between verb movement and clitic ordering”
Institut für Romanistik, University of Hamburg

Teaching experience

INSTRUCTOR (V-NYI WINTER INTENSIVE)

- 2026 *Foundations of syntax* (one-week class)

INSTRUCTOR (UNIVERSITÄT POTSDAM)

- 2025–26 *More movement than expected: Cyclicity, pied-piping, and secondary movement* (MSc)
- 2025–26 *Introduction to phonology and morphology* (MSc)
- 2025 *How to (not) generate ABA* (MSc)
- 2025 *Introduction to Distributed Morphology* (BA)
- 2024–2025 *Movement types and their interactions* (MSc)
- 2024–2025 *Introduction to syntax and semantics* (MSc)
- 2024 *Alternations between cumulative and separative exponence* (MSc)
- 2024 *Introduction to Distributed Morphology* (BA)
- 2024 *Competition in exponent selection* (MSc)

INSTRUCTOR (EASTERN GENERATIVE GRAMMAR SUMMER SCHOOL, ZAGREB)

- 2025 *(*)ABA effects and their theoretical implications* (one-week seminar)
- 2025 *Introduction to Syntax II* (one-week class)

INSTRUCTOR (MIT)

- 2023 *Morphology* (graduate)

TEACHING ASSISTANT (MIT)

- 2022 *Advanced Syntax* (graduate). Instructors: Athulya Aravind and David Pesetsky
- 2021 *Introduction to Linguistics* (undergraduate). Instructor: Norvin Richards
- 2020 *Advanced Syntax* (graduate). Instructors: Sabine Iatridou and David Pesetsky
- 2019 *Introduction to Linguistics* (undergraduate). Instructor: Adam Albright

2019 *Introduction to Syntax* (two-week class). Instructor: Caroline Heycock

Advising

MA THESES (AS CO-CHAIR)

2026 Ece Erten, Universität Potsdam
“Morphological processing of Turkish derivational suffixes: A masked priming study”

BA THESES (AS CHAIR)

2025 Nicholas Mokros, Universität Potsdam
“Wedding Bobaljik and Hein & Murphy: Syncretism in hierarchical contexts”

Reviewing

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Glossa (2018, 2020, 2021, 2025; 2026); *Linguistic Inquiry* (2019, 2020, 2021, 2023, 2024; 2025);
The Linguistic Review (2019); *Morphology* (2020); *NLLT* (2020, 2024); *Syntax* (2022)

CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS

Incontro di Grammatica Generativa (2023); *NELS* (2023); *CLS* (2024); *DM meets Nano* (2025);
Colloquium on Generative Grammar (2026)

GRANTS

Czech Science Foundation (2024)

Other service

2024– Studies Advisor for the MSc “Linguistics: Empirical and Theoretical Foundations” at the
Universität Potsdam

2024– Admissions committee member for the MSc “Linguistics: Empirical and Theoretical
Foundations” at the Universität Potsdam

2026 Co-organizer of CGSW 38 at the University of Potsdam

2024 Co-organizer of *NELS 54* at MIT

2018–2020 Co-founder and co-organizer of MorPhun, MIT’s morphology reading group

Awards

2011–2017 Full scholarship (tuition and living expenses) at the Scuola Normale Superiore in Pisa

2010 First prize (1,000 euros) at the 36th *Certamen Classicum Florentinum*, Italy’s national high-
school competition for translation from Ancient Greek into Latin

Languages

Italian native

English fluent

French advanced

German intermediate

Latin reading knowledge

Cl. Greek reading knowledge