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EDUCATION

M.A. Linguistics — University of Cologne | 2023 – Present

- Selected for the Research Master Programme
- Master's Thesis: Between Isolation and Contact: A Comparative Analysis of the Imerkhebian Georgian Case System

Exchange Semester (Erasmus) — KU Leuven | Sept 2025 – Feb 2026

B.A. German Language and Literature (Germanistik) — Istanbul University | 2018 – 2023

RESEARCH & ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Independent Research Stay (PROMOS Scholarship) – affiliated with Ilia State University, Tbilisi | Jul–Aug 2026

- Independent research for my master's thesis on Imerkhebian Georgian.

Non-Verbal Predication Team Member (Abkhaz) - CauLaGe Summer Program | 2–18 Jul 2026

- Fieldwork-based linguistic analysis of Abkhaz non-verbal predication with speakers and researchers.

Visiting Master's Student (Erasmus+ BIP) - Inalco (Paris, France) | 8-12 Jun 2026

- Selected for the "Lives Between Shores" academic mobility, focusing on migration and multilingualism across the Mediterranean.

Language Documentation Team Member – CauLaGe Summer Program — Zemo Alvani, Georgia | Aug 2025

- Conducted linguistic fieldwork on the endangered Tsova-Tush language.
- Participated in documentation, transcription, and analysis of recorded data.

Student Assistant (IT Department), IDSL II — University of Cologne | Mar 2025 – Present

- Provide technical and digital support to the Department of German Language and Literature II.
- Assist with data management and academic software tools.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Speaker – 20th T.W.I.S.T Student Conference in Linguistics – Leiden University | Netherlands (April 11-12 2026)

- A Corpus-Informed Analysis of Imerkhebian Georgian: Contact and Variation

Speaker & Proceedings Author – WECOL 2025 (Western Conference for Linguistics) – Online

- Paper: 'The Decline of the Georgian Language in Turkey: Generational Erosion, Identity Negotiation, and Challenges of Preservation.'

Speaker – 77th StuTS (Student Conference on Linguistics) – Leipzig | May 2025

- Talk: 'From Mother Tongue to Cultural Symbol: Intergenerational Language Shift in Turkey's Georgian-Speaking Community.'

CERTIFICATES & ADVANCED TRAINING

- **Third International Summer School in Sociolinguistics** – Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia | 27 Jul–2 Aug 2026
- **LOT Summer School** - Netherlands Graduate School of Linguistics (Online) | Jun 2026
Course: The Social Structure of Variation in Spoken and Signed Languages
- **Language Documentation Learning Series** – Endangered Languages Project (Dec 2025)
- **V-NYI Global Institute (V-NYI #10 & Winter Intensive #11 & V-NYI #12)** – Completed the Advanced Certificate Program and intensive online coursework in theoretical linguistics.
- **International Workshop on Linguistic Anthropology** – Indian Anthropological Society & Jadavpur University
- **Research Data Management and Sharing** – UNC & University of Edinburgh (Coursera)
- **Understanding Research Methods** – SOAS University of London (Coursera)
- **Introduction to Comparative Indo-European Linguistics** – Universiteit Leiden (Coursera)
- **IT-Certificate** – University of Cologne
- **Kölsch Language and Culture Course** - Akademie für uns kölsche Sproch, Cologne

SKILLS

Languages: Turkish (Native), English (C2), German (C1), Swahili (Beginner), Georgian (Intermediate).

Technical: ELAN, R Studio, Adobe Creative (Photoshop, InDesign, Premiere Pro).

SCHOLARSHIPS

CCLS Junior Travel Fund, *Cologne Center of Language Sciences, University of Cologne* (August 2025). Awarded travel grant to fund participation and fieldwork in the CauLaGe summer documentation program in Georgia.

Türk Eğitim Vakfı (TEV) Scholarship — 2018–2023

LEADERSHIP & INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Participant – "Bouncing Back" Youth Exchange Program — Zanzibar, Tanzania: Documented local climate resilience initiatives and collected primary linguistic data on the Kitumbatu dialect of Swahili.
- Board Member, Fachschaft Linguistik – University of Cologne (2024–Present)
- Publisher & Editor, Veritas University Magazine – Istanbul University (2022–2023). Managed editorial workflow and digital publication of two culture, art, and language issues (Issue 1: <https://cutt.ly/dergiveritas> | Issue 2: <https://cutt.ly/veritas2>).
- President, Western Languages Student Club – Istanbul University (2021–2023)
- AIESEC Volunteer Facilitator – Workshops on Sustainable Development Goals in Serbia and Romania
- Erasmus+ Youth Exchange and Training Course Participant – projects in Lithuania, Georgia, Turkey, Hungary, Germany and Bosnia.