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## LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

- German (native)
- Spanish (Distinguished, C2)
- Italian (Novice, A1)
- English (Distinguished, C2. TOEFL score 115/120)
- French (Novice, A1)
- Latin (Advanced translation skills)

## EDUCATION

### Education in Progress:

#### Doctor of Philosophy in Spanish Applied Linguistics

Temple University, Philadelphia, PA 19121, US

Since August 2024

#### Master of Arts in Spanish

Ohio University, Athens, Ohio 45701, US

May 2023

#### Master of Education in Spanish and English

Paris-Lodron-Universität, Salzburg, Austria

June 2023

#### Bachelor of Education in Spanish and English

Paris-Lodron-Universität, Salzburg, Austria

November 2019

#### Certification in Teaching German as a Foreign Language

Paris-Lodron-Universität, Salzburg, Austria

Dec 2018

#### Erasmus Exchange Program in Spanish and English

Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Madrid, Spain

Aug 2016

## AWARDS

### Outstanding Teaching Assistant for Modern Languages

Ohio University, Athens, Ohio 45701, US

May 2023

### Outstanding Bachelor Thesis (1. place)

Paris-Lodron-Universität, Salzburg, Austria

December 2021

- Award for the best bachelor's thesis submitted to the Department of Romance Studies in the years 2019-2021.

## ACADEMIC WRITING

### MEd Thesis

*Paris-Lodron-Universität, Salzburg, Austria*

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- A. Kirchttag (2023) "The Delicate Art of Complaining Reinvented: Introducing the Text Type 'Email of Complaint' Using a Flipped Classroom Approach" (Access [here](#))  
Submitted to the Department of English and American Studies in March 2023.

### BEd Thesis

*Paris-Lodron-Universität, Salzburg, Austria*

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- A. Kirchttag (2019) "El hablante nativo como modelo. La función y la influencia del hablante nativo en la clase de ELE" (Access [here](#))  
Submitted to the Department of Romance Studies in October 2019.
- A. Kirchttag (2018) "#sherlock. From Journal to Blog: A comparison of the BBC personal blog of Dr. John Watson and the original Sherlock Holmes Saga of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle" (Access [here](#))  
Submitted to the Department of English and American Studies in April 2018.

## RESEARCH INTEREST

I explore various areas of Spanish applied linguistics and sociolinguistics. I am particularly interested in foreign language teaching and second language acquisition. Using text and other media (video, ICTs, etc.) to explore different teaching methods from a cognitive and pedagogical point of view inspired my bachelor's thesis, which shows how literary works and their adaptations can be used in the language classroom, and my master's thesis, which presents a study on adopting a flipped classroom approach to introduce new text types. Currently, I am working on a collaborative project between Temple University and Salzburg University, which is concerned with enhancing students' environmental awareness by including comics in the Elementary Spanish classrooms. In collaboration with my colleague Bako Bapio Pierre, I am working on a sociolinguistic research project investigating gender-inclusive language practices and perceptions among graduate teaching assistants of Spanish.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Spanish Teaching Assistant

*Department of Spanish and Portuguese, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA*

*Aug 2024 - Present*

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- Instructor for Spanish language classes at Elementary Level.

### Language Instructor

*Department of Modern Languages, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio*

*Aug 2023 – May 2024*

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- Currently teaching several language classes in German and Spanish at Elementary and Intermediate Level.
- Instructor for Spanish for Health Professions (class offered in collaboration with Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine).
- Active member of the department, assisting with the organization of interdepartmental events and with advertising undergraduate and graduate language programs.
- Advisor for German Club student organization at Ohio University.

**Spanish Teaching Assistant***Department of Modern Languages, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio**Aug 2021 - May 2023*

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- Instructor for Spanish language classes at Elementary and Intermediate Level.

**German Teaching Assistant***Department of Modern Languages at Ohio University, Athens, Ohio**Aug 2021 - May 2022*

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- Taught and observed in Elementary, Intermediate, and Advanced German language courses.
- Tutored German students and organized events for the German Club student organization.

**Instructor***College of Business at Ohio University, Athens, OH**Jan 2022 - Present*

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- Instructor for German Language & Culture course.
- Taught basic level German skills and prepared students for an academic exchange program in Germany.

**Project Associate***Salzburg University, Salzburg, Austria**Oct 2023 - Present*

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- Spanish to English translation of Pedagogical Plan for the international [CLI-MIC](#) project (co-funded by the European Union).
- Creation of explainer videos about the pedagogical plan.
- Design of educational material as part of the resources offered by the project.
- Presentation of project at conferences.
- Research project in SPAN Elementary Level Courses.

**Research Assistant***Salzburg University, Salzburg, Austria**Sep 2020 - Apr 2021*

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- Assisted in several research projects at the English and Spanish Department.
- Analyzed research data and evaluating student performance.

**Teaching Assistant***Salzburg University, Salzburg, Austria**Mar 2018 - Jul 2020*

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- Tutor for Spanish and Latin-American Literature at the Department of Romance Languages and Literature.
- Assisted students with the comprehension, analysis, and contextualization of texts from the required reading list.

**Instructor***Kindergarten Schallmoos, Salzburg, Austria**Oct 2020 - May 2021*

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- Provided early childhood language support (German).
- Worked with 2 to 6-year-olds from non-German-speaking families, teaching German as a second language.

**Instructor***WIFI Salzburg (school for adult vocational education), Salzburg, Austria**Oct 2020 - May 2021*

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- Taught English as a second language at Elementary level to adult learners.

**Teaching Assistant***Language Centre at Salzburg University, Salzburg, Austria**Oct 2018 - Jul 2020*

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- Taught weekly sections of Elementary Spanish language classes, practicing structures and developing skills.

**Student Teacher***High School Teaching Internships, Salzburg, Austria**Sep 2019 - Feb 2020*

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- MEd placement at BG Zaunergasse (Austrian high school)
- Taught an English Intermediate language class.
- Observed and taught English and Spanish classes at Elementary, Intermediate, and Advanced level.

**Student Teacher***High School Teaching Internships, Salzburg, Austria**Mar 2018 - May 2018*

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- HAK Neumarkt (Austrian vocational school): Spanish language teaching.
- BG Zaunergasse (Austrian high school): English language teaching.

**Student Teacher***High School Teaching Internships, Salzburg, Austria**Oct 2016 - Feb 2017*

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- Musisches Gymnasium Salzburg (Austrian high school): Spanish
- BAfEP Salzburg (Austrian vocational school): English

**Student Teacher***High School Teaching Internships, Salzburg, Austria**Apr 2014 - May 2014*

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- Sozialpädagogische VS Laufenstraße (elementary school, special needs education)

**Camp Counselor***German Language Summercamps Obertrum, Salzburg, Austria**Jul 2017 - Jul 2019*

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- Independently taught German language classes at Elementary and Intermediate level to Italian high school students.
- Coordinated staff members and weekly schedules.
- Organized afternoon activities and cultural field trips.
- 24/7 supervision of children.

**Language Tutor***Schülerhilfe Neumarkt, Salzburg, Austria**Jan 2014 - Jan 2019*

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- Tutored 8 to 20-year-old students in German, English, and Spanish.
- Adapted teaching methods and instructional materials to meet students' varying needs and interests.
- Taught 5-week intensive courses during the summer.

**Teaching assistant***Barnham Church of England VC Primary School, Thetford, England**Jan 2013 - May 2013*

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- Assisting with implementing classroom activities related to open learning.
- Helping students with tasks during French language classes.

**VOLUNTEER WORK****Elementary School Foreign Language Programs (FLES)***Alexander Elementary School, Albany, Ohio, 45701, US**Oct 2023 - Dec 2023*

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- Weekly Spanish lessons with ten and eleven-year-old elementary students, exposing them to simple Spanish vocabulary and motivating them to learn Spanish.

## CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/COURSES ATTENDED

43rd Cincinnati Conference on Romance and Arabic Languages and Literatures (CCRALL), April 6-8, 2023: Research presentation

19th Ohio Latin American Conference (OLAC), February 24-25, 2023: Research presentation, aide-de-camp, program and flyer design

18th Ohio Latin American Conference (OLAC), February 25-26, 2022: Research presentation, aide-de-camp, program design

Online-Module "Assessing Speaking in the Classroom",

Institut des Bundes für Qualitätssicherung im österreichischen Schulwesen (iqs.gv.at), October 2020- April 2021

MOOC "E-Learning & Law - Copyright Reboot", Universität Graz (iMooX.a), March - June 2020

## REFERENCES

- **Bärbel Such**

*Associate Professor & Department Chair, Ohio University - Work Supervisor*

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*Associate Professor, Graduate Chair, Ohio University - Instructor, Academic Advisor*

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